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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

John Miller – Chairman



This has been my second season as Chairman of Cricket, and I am very pleased with the continued growth and development of our game in this region. We continue to build towards becoming Australia's number one talent hotspot and supporting Australian Cricket's goal of being the number one sport for all Australians.

Cricket ACT's 2017/18 season saw some remarkable individual and team performances. The highest score in the regular season was made by Jake Floros from Tuggeranong Valley Cricket Club in Second Grade in Round 14 against Ginninderra, making an unbeaten 230 runs including 24 fours and 4 sixes. The best bowling figures of 8-43 went to Alexander Floros from Tuggeranong in their Round 9 match. I would also like to acknowledge Blake Dean, who made an outstanding 291 for Weston Creek Molonglo in their semi-final win against Queanbeyan in the Douglas Cup.

We saw Western-District UC win the Konica Minolta Twenty20 Cup in October with a win over Weston Creek Molonglo, while the Women's Twenty20 Glenda Hall Shield also saw Western-District UC victorious. Weston Creek Molonglo had better fortunes in the John Gallop Cup final with a nail-biting final over victory against ANU.

The Douglas Cup final saw a great standard of cricket being played with a John Rogers-led Weston Creek outfit claiming their first Douglas Cup title in three years while Western District – UC celebrated after claiming the Lynne O'Meara Cup.

The quality of the games in the McDonald's ACT Premier Competition would not be possible without our umpires, scorers, administrators, club officials, volunteers and curators. I would like to recognise their tireless work to keep cricket in the ACT running efficiently and successfully throughout the season. It is because of your coordinated work that the ACT is highly regarded as a quality Premier competition within Australian Cricket.

I'd like to turn out attention to our Abode Hotels ACT Meteors. This year has been a historic year for female cricketers across the country with the pay deal between Cricket Australia and the Australian Cricketers Associations lauded as the biggest pay rise in the history of women's sport in the country. We have seen some of our players progress from part-time to full-time cricketers in the space of 12 months, and while there is still some way to go, we have seen the results on the field with the standard of women's cricket, both internationally and domestically, truly outstanding.

Our Meteors had a fantastic start to their WNCL season this year, defeating Victoria and Queensland at home at Manuka Oval. We saw two brilliant centuries from Katie Mack and Claire Koski throughout the season, as well as a five-wicket haul from Hayley Jensen in Round 2. Whilst missing out on finals this season, there is plenty of excitement ahead for the Meteors with Head Coach James Allsopp relocating to Canberra and more and more of our players calling the ACT home. We have no doubt that there is plenty of success coming up for this talented group of players.

Our ACT/NSW Country Comets took on a new look and feel this year but it was one quickly embraced by the players and coaching staff involved. We saw many players make their debuts for the Comets this year, showing that there is plenty of up and coming talent in our group. Whilst also missing out on finals, the side finished the year in a tremendous fashion with back-to-back wins against Victoria and Queensland under the guidance of Coach Kyle Piper. We know this program will continue to develop our young and emerging players and have success in the near future.

The ACT Rockets enjoyed unbelievable success in the past year claiming the National Title at the Australian Indoor Cricket Championships. Five players were also selected to represent Australia at the Indoor World Cup, helping lead the Aussies to their tenth straight World Title in Dubai. To cap this off, Matthew Floros was also named International Indoor Cricketer of the Year in an outstanding recognition for our indoor program here in Canberra.

At our recent Cricket ACT Season Gala, we celebrated some brilliant individual performances through the 2017/18 summer of cricket. Zoe Cooke claimed her fourth consecutive SJ Moore Medal for Women's Player of the Year while Timmy Floros picked up a surprise double, claiming the Indoor and Men's Premier Cricket Player of the Year honours. In our high-performance space, Samantha Bates capped off a stellar year, winning her first Calver Medal for Meteors Player of the Year while ACT/NSW Country Comets Captain Jay Lenton was the recipient of the Solway Medal for Comets Player of the Year.

Finally, I also want to congratulate and thank every cricket fan in Canberra for their enthusiasm and support of our top-level fixtures held in Canberra. This season, Cricket ACT hosted two Women's Ashes T20 matches, a Big Bash Double Header as well as the PM XI. We continue to exceed expectations with our crowd numbers at every match we hold. I am sure this will be a similar case for the upcoming Test Match to be hosted at Manuka Oval this coming summer of cricket.

Being able to host both men's and women's international fixtures before such fantastic crowds, on what I believe is Australia's premier boutique cricket ground, Manuka Oval, only strengthens Cricket ACT's reputation within Australian Cricket to offer the ultimate cricket experience for players and fans alike.

In closing, I would like to acknowledge all the staff at Cricket ACT and particularly mention our departing CEO, Cameron French. Cameron has made an outstanding contribution in his three-plus years and we wish him and his family lots of success in the future.

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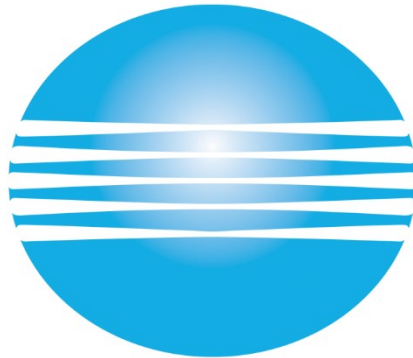
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ASSOCIATION GOVERNANCE

Liz Barrington-Smith – Secretary



The Annual General Meeting of the Association was held on Wednesday 20th September 2017. The financial statements for the period 1st July 2016 to 30th June 2017 were considered.

The meeting elected John Miller as Chairman of the Board for a three-year term. Two members of the Board, Gordon Elliott and Greg Badcock, were elected for a three-year term. While Liz Barrington-Smith was elected Chairperson of the Female Cricket Council, Annette Costello was elected as Chairperson of the Junior Cricket Council, and Paul Edwards was elected as Chairperson on the Umpire's and Scorer's Council.

RSM Bird Cameron were appointed as auditors for the Association for 2017/2018. Finally, the meeting endorsed Steve Gower and Ian McNamee to continue as patrons of the Association.

The Association conferred life membership on Billy Floros and Mark Vergano at the Annual General Meeting. Billy was recognised for his extensive career in indoor cricket along with his significant contribution in both the coaching and administrative arena for both indoor and outdoor cricket. Mark's long and distinguished career in cricket in the ACT was outlined extensively to demonstrate the significant impact he has had on the sport in our region.

An ordinary general meeting of the Association was held on 2nd May 2018 at Phillip Oval. The Chairman, John Miller, provided an overview of current events in cricket which impact on the sport in general. He alluded to the new television rights deal and covered the Australian Cricket Review that is to be conducted by Cricket Australia. He also talked about the ongoing Community Cricket Review and the significant local impact it will have. The CEO Cameron French then presented his review, covering amongst other things the significant summer of cricket ahead for Canberra. He then presented the CACT objectives for the 2018/2019 season. Nicola Browne gave a wide-ranging presentation on Game Development in the region, highlighting the focus on junior programs and developing female cricket. In conclusion, Treasurer Gordon Elliott provided delegates with a summary of the financial status of the Association.

The Board met on seven occasions during the course of the year and the attendance of Board members at the meetings is shown below. The CACT strategy from 2017 to 2022 was considered in detail to further the growth of cricket in our region.

Board Member	Meetings		Responsibilities
	Eligible	Attended	
John Miller	7	6	Chairman of the Board
Greg Badcock	6	5	Director
Liz Barrington-Smith	7	6	Female Cricket Committee, Secretary
Chris Body	7	5	Premier Cricket Committee
Stephen Day	7	3	Director
Gordon Elliott	7	7	Treasurer, Finance Committee
Mark McConnell	7	5	Deputy Chairman
Sean Michelle	7	4	Finance Committee
Greg Nichols	7	5	Director

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

Cameron French – Chief Executive Officer

It is with a tinge of sadness that I write my final Chief Executive Report for Cricket ACT.

In May this year, I made the decision to step down and seek a new challenge, feeling the time was right for a change in leadership. With this change in mind, I am pleased to report that Cricket ACT is in a position of strength leading into one of the associations biggest summers of cricket, which will, of course, culminate in Canberra's inaugural Test match in February next year.

I would like to thank the many people within the Australian Cricket Family who provided me with this opportunity, in particular, former Chairman Ian McNamee, current Chairman John Miller, and the board and staff. As always, no success can be achieved without the support of the broader cricket community who bring the game to life each and every weekend.

Talent Hotspot

The 2017/18 season saw Cricket ACT continue to stamp its claim as one of the top talent hotspots in Australian Cricket.

Former ACT Comet Nick Winter made his first-class debut for South Australia, quickly making a name for himself with a five-wicket haul in the second innings. In his second match, he stunned everyone with five wickets in both innings in one of the best starts to a Sheffield Shield career ever witnessed. He went on to finish the season as runner-up in the Sheffield Shield Player of the Year award.

Another former Comet Mac Wright also made his One-Day Domestic Debut for the Cricket Australia XI in the JLT One-Day Cup, and Tom Rogers continued to impress for Tasmania with his fantastic season seeing him named in the ACA Sheffield Shield Team of the Year.

Our women were equally successful, with ACT Meteor Hayley Jensen selected to represent her home country of New Zealand in their Twenty20 International series against India, Maitlan Brown selected in the National Performance Squad, and Sam Bates named in the ACA WBBL Team of the Year for her great season with the Sydney Thunder.

There are so many people to recognize for their dedication and hard work in helping to develop these young athletes to reach their full potential that I couldn't possibly name them all, but it takes many hands to get a cricketer to the top of their game and should all take pride in this success.

CBR International Summer of Cricket

Our summer of international cricket started with the final two matches of the Commonwealth Bank Women's Ashes Series at Manuka Oval. Excitement was high leading into the first match on the 19th November, with a win ensuring Australia retained the Ashes. As always, the Canberra community was out in force, with a crowd of 4131 spectators, the highest attendance of the series, watching as Australia celebrated.

Interest was just as high for the following match on the 21st November as the Aussies looked to win the series outright. However, a record-breaking century from England's Dani Wyatt meant the series was drawn.

The annual Prime Ministers XI was next on the schedule and definitely had a Canberra flavour. Former ACT Comets Brad Haddin (Coach) and Nathan Lyon (Captain) were selected to lead one of the most experienced Prime Ministers XI sides in recent history. ACT player Blake McDonald was also named as the side's 12th man—and will forever remember his boundary-saving dive while on the field as a substitute fielder late in the game.

The game didn't go the way of the PM XI but it was another fantastic event put on through the co-operation of our local staff, ACT Government, and Cricket Australia. A crowd of 8778 spectators flocked to Manuka to take in the game in a fitting way to close out on our international summer.

Big Bash comes to Canberra

The Sydney Thunder made an exciting announcement in October 2017 that they would be bringing a doubleheader to Manuka in January 2018.

Local fans were ecstatic to have the opportunity to witness Big Bash cricket in their backyard, and the match sold-out in record time to watch the Thunder take on the Renegades in both the Women's and Men's Big Bash. I'd like to thank the Sydney Thunder and ACT Government for bringing this fixture to Canberra and hope to see more in the future.

A place to call home

In November 2017 we officially opened the Cricket ACT High-Performance Centre and Office Administration Hub at Phillip Oval. Originally announced in May 2015, the project was a collaborative effort from Cricket Australia, Cricket NSW, ACT Government and Cricket ACT to deliver a top facility to help develop the next generation of cricketers and provide our staff with the resources required to continue to deliver on the Australian Cricket strategy.

We cannot understate the impact that the centre will have on cricket in the region. In equal parts, it provides an opportunity for our talented young players to develop and, via the Active Academy, deliver a revenue stream, allowing the association to continue to invest in the game.

IN MEMORIAM

Mr John Gallop

The cricket community was saddened by the passing of Mr John Gallop, QC in September 2017.

Mr Gallop had a long and distinguished association with cricket in the ACT, notably serving as President of the ACT Cricket Association for a remarkable 27 years.

Mr Gallop played Grade Cricket in Sydney for Petersham as a wicket-keeper/batsman in the 1960s before moving to Canberra in season 1964/1965. While playing for the Kingston Cricket Club, he won cricketer of the year in season and earned selection in Prime Ministers XI vs. South Africa. In the match, he struck the winning runs, although Sir Robert Menzies, the Prime Minister, was not impressed as he desired a tied result!

Besides his devotion to cricket, Mr Gallop was also one of the longest-serving judges in the ACT Supreme Court and the Federal Court of Australia. Mr Gallop was fittingly inducted as a Life Member of the Association in 2001/2002 and in 2007/2008, the board renamed the ACT First Grade One-Day Competition the John Gallop Cup. Long-serving Chairman Ian McNamee had a 35-year association with Mr Gallop and described him as a 'great servant of the game'.

'From acquiring the management rights for Manuka Oval to ensuring the health of local clubs, John did more than anyone to progress cricket in the region. John's leadership was recognised nationally and his speeches at PMXI matches were eagerly awaited and a feature of the match.'

Mr McNamee reflected that 'John was extremely popular with the players who referred to him as 'Justice John' or 'The Judge.' A favourite quip in relation to volunteers was about the official 'who did not know his wife had left him until the season was over', something which anyone involved in the administration would relate to.

Mr Gallop lived an extraordinary life and will be missed by the cricket family.

Mr Kevin Flaherty

It was sad news for the cricket community to hear of the passing of Cricket ACT and TVCC Life member, Kevin Flaherty's, in November 2017.

Kevin was a right-handed batsman and bowled left arm off-spin and was a member of the inaugural First-Grade side for Tuggeranong Valley in 1984. He was named in the team of the decade, mentoring a young Michael Bevan. Kevin's first 11 seasons with Tuggeranong were all played in First Grade. His greatest trait was his willingness to share his knowledge and skills with anyone willing to learn.

He also played a First-Class match for Warwickshire against Cambridge University at Edgbaston in 1969. Although he did not record batting innings, he bowled 36 overs for the match, recording four wickets at an average of 26.75.

Kevin was also a board member of Cricket ACT for several years where he chaired the High-Performance Committee. During this time, Kevin was known to pay his own way to trek across the country to support ACT teams at national championships. Kevin made a

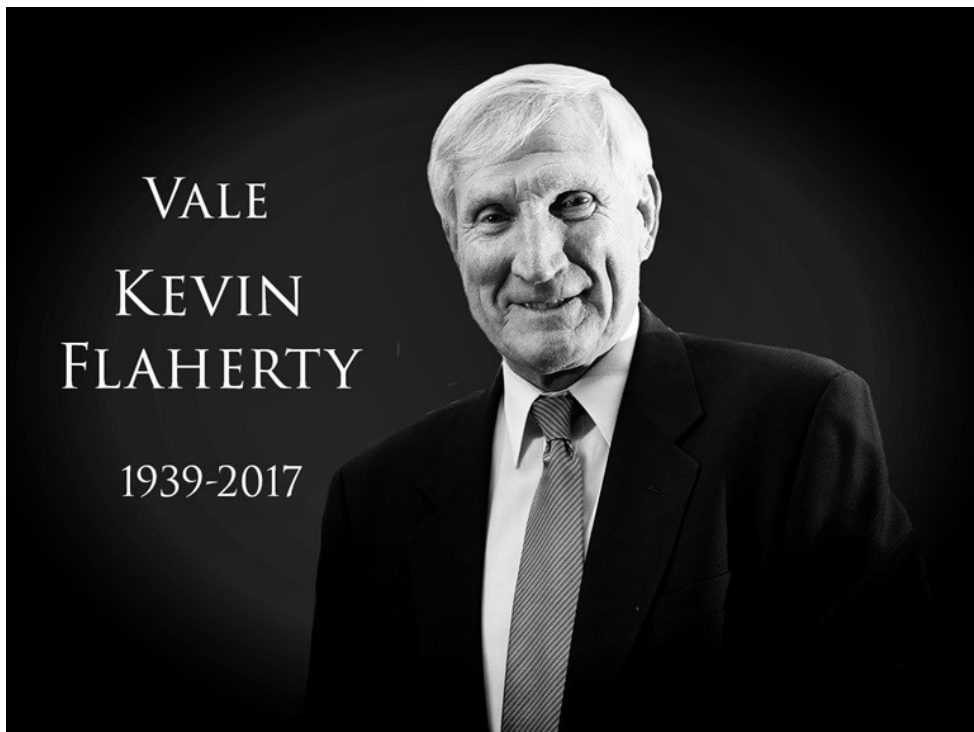
significant contribution to the cricketing landscape in the ACT and greater region. He is a life member of Cricket ACT.

Life member of TVCC, Kevin served on the committee in various roles for 11 years, including Senior Vice President, Chair of the Senior Committee and a continuing advisory role over the years, including to the current president John Evans over the past 4 years.

In 2015, Kevin was presented with a special award from Cricket Australia for his 50 years' contribution as a volunteer.

Always a gentleman, the smiling, kind face of Kevin Flaherty will be missed in the cricket community.

He is survived by his wife and two children.



ACT METEORS

James Allsopp – ACT Meteors Head Coach

Squad

Erin Osborne (Captain), Sam Bates, Maitlan Brown, Erin Burns, Nicole Goodwin, Nicola Hancock, Clara Iemma, Hayley Jensen, Marizanne Kapp, Claire Koski, Emily Leys, Katie Mack, Angela Reakes, Dane van Niekerk.

Rookies/Development Players

Jess Howard, Kelly Rowlings.

Coaching and Support Staff

James Allsopp (Head Coach), Kyle Piper (Assistant Coach), Kris Brit (Assistant Coach), Michael Barrington (Strength and Conditioning), Aileen Morris (Physiotherapist), Christine Higginson (Player Development Manager), and Cricket ACT Staff.

Arrivals

Erin Burns

Erin signed with the ACT Meteors from the Tasmanian system for the 2017/18 season. She caught the eye of Head Coach, James Allsopp, during the 2016/17 season, where she single-handedly led the Tasmanian team to victory over the Meteors with a quick-fire 78 off as many balls. Erin's experience and leadership were also two major reasons for her addition to the 2017/18 Meteors squad.

Hayley Jensen

A former New Zealand international cricketer, Hayley committed to the move from Melbourne for the 2017/18 all-rounder. Still only 24 years of age, her best years are still ahead of her. Hayley joined the squad in search of more opportunity with the bat after playing a bowling role only for Victoria previously.

Clara Iemma

Clara was the player of the carnival at the 2017/18 national under 18s championships finishing as the leading run scorer. Clearly a player of high potential, Clara's addition to the group was an investment in youth with 2017/18 viewed as a season to gain some valuable experience before pressing her claims for selection in 2018/19.

Marizanne Kapp

The number one ranked fast bowler was a significant signing for the Meteors, highlighting how the program has evolved to attract world-class players to the setup. Kapp was an

exciting addition to the squad with her years of international experience sure to be invaluable to a young fast bowling group. Her professionalism towards training would set a fine example for other Meteors players aspiring to play cricket at the highest level.

Dane Van Niekerk

South African captain, Dane Van Niekerk, joined Kapp as the ACT Meteors international player for the 2017/18 season. Dane's all-round cricket ability plus her leadership experience were to be of critical importance to a new captain and a young squad. Her analysis and reflection on the game are commonly regarded to be as good as any players' in the game and this was a pivotal factor in her selection as ACT's second international player.

Erica Kershaw

Erica also made the trip north from Melbourne in search of an opportunity with the gloves. After the retirement of former wicketkeeper, Rebecca Maher, Kershaw was presented with an opportunity to take the wicketkeeping duties for the Meteors and committed to the program despite not been on a contract until she played the first 4 rounds. A great example of a sacrifice made in pursuit of a burning ambition.

Farewells

Kira Churchland

All-rounder Churchland had a difficult 2016/17 season and was not offered a contract for the 2017/18 season. An extremely diligent trainer, if she continues to work hard on the mental component of her game and can produce some outstanding consistent performance in premier cricket, then she will put herself back in the frame for future selection.

Lilly Bardsley

Lilly has had a horror run with injuries over the past two seasons and this unfortunately continued throughout the 2016/17 Summer. Lilly epitomises everything it means to be a good teammate and would be greatly missed around the group in 2017/18.

Jodie Hicks

Jodie's selection for the GWS Giants in the AFLW meant that her sporting preference transferred to football. Still a keen cricketer and with a contract with the Sydney Sixers, Jodie would spend the 2017/18 summer still involved with the Meteors—given full access to the program when available.



Erin Osborne (left) announced as the Abode Hotels ACT Meteors captain for 2017/18 season. Pictured with Coach James Allsopp (right).//GETTYIMAGES

WNCL

Round 1 vs. Victoria

It was a strong start to the 2017/2018 WNCL campaign for the ACT Meteors, who knocked off Victoria in the opening round of their campaign. The Meteors won the toss and were elected to bat and after a solid start with many players getting starts—Katie Mack (22) and Erin Osborne (22)—it was Dane Van Niekerk who changed the momentum of the innings with 63 runs off just 74 deliveries. Some late innings support from debutant Erica Kershaw (17 not out) and Van Niekerk's explosive shot-making saw the Meteors reach a respectable total of 204. Victoria made a solid start, reaching 57 before the loss of their first wicket and were certainly in a commanding position after the first 15 overs. However, Sam Bates' clever change of pace saw the key wicket of opener Sophie Molineux, which halted all momentum to the Victorian innings. Bates finished with the economic figures of 1-20 over 10 accurate overs and was ably supported by Nicola Hancock (2-30 off 9 overs) during the middle overs as wickets tumbled regularly. Van Niekerk topped off an outstanding debut for the Meteors, taking 3-31 at the back-end of the innings as the Victorians were contained to 7-173 off their 50 overs due to the Meteors outstanding discipline with the ball and in the field.

Round 2 vs. Queensland

The ACT Meteors returned to Manuka Oval two days later to take on Queensland in round 2 of the WNCL competition. Captain Erin Osborne won the toss again and had no hesitation in batting first. The Meteors' batting line-up then proceeded to put on a dominant display of attacking batting with Katie Mack (113) leading the way with her second century for the Meteors as she battled through the innings to provide the backbone of the Meteors 6/285 run total. Van Niekerk (61 off 56 balls) continued her blistering form with the bat whilst Erin Burn (24) and Erin Osborne (24) provided able support for Katie Mack with

some important partnerships during the middle of the innings. In reply, Queensland got off to the worst possible start with Samantha Bates snaring the important wicket of Australian player, Beth Mooney, in the first over of the innings. Bates (2-15 off 7.1 overs) continued her impressive form with the ball with her subtle variations and consistent lengths proving too much for the Queensland batting line-up at the start of the innings. This created the perfect platform for medium pacer, Hayley Jensen, to be introduced into the attack during the middle overs where her tight line and length and movement through the air caused Queensland all kinds of trouble as she ripped through their batting line-up, finishing with the outstanding figures of 5-33 off 8 overs. Two wins from two starts gave the Meteors the perfect start to their campaign as they looked ahead to a road trip to Perth for rounds 3 and 4.



Katie Mack (left) and Hayley Jensen (right) walking to the crease to open the batting against Victoria in Round 1//GETTYIMAGES

Round 3 vs. NSW

Round 3 took the ACT Meteors to Murdoch University in Perth to face defending champions, the NSW Breakers. The team suffered a major set-back prior to their departure to Perth, with in-form all-rounder and star international, Dane Van Niekerk, unable to join the group for the away trip with a hamstring injury. Despite Van Niekerk's absence, the Meteors got off to the dream start against NSW, having them reeling early on at 4-24 after Captain Osborne lost the toss and asked to field first. Marizanne Kapp (4-24) was the destroyer, taking 3 wickets in her first spell as she bowled with great pace and intimidating aggression. After this exciting start, superstar Ellyse Perry took total control of the innings, stealing the momentum back to the Breakers as her unbeaten century steered her team a commanding total of 246. Apart from Kapp, Bates was the only other Meteors bowler to look threatening as she finished with the respectable figures of 2-37 off her 10 overs. In reply, none of the ACT batters managed to get going as they were strangled by some

disciplined NSW bowling to never be really in the hunt of the NSW total. Erica Kershaw (36 of 80 balls) was the only batter to offer any kind of resistance as ACT were bowled out for 149 in just the 43rd over.

Round 4 vs. Western Australia

The ACT Meteors returned to Murdoch University the following day to take on Western Australia and after losing the toss and making to field first, the Meteors again got off to the dream start, taking three early wickets including the prized wickets of Australian players, Nicole Bolton and Elyse Villani, to have them hobbling at 3-14. Samantha Bates (2-25 off 9) and Marizanne Kapp (2-37 off 9) were again the pick of the bowlers making the early inroads. However, Western Australia recovered to finally close their innings with a total of 237. The Meteors got off to a steady start but lost two wickets in the first 10 overs before Erin Burns and Erin Osborne came together. The pair put on 80 runs for the 3rd wicket before Erin Burns (37 off 41) held out at a critical time. From this point on, many players made small contributions—Kapp (29), Koski (18), and top scorer Osborne (52)—but not enough significant partnerships could be maintained with ACT bowled out in the 48th over 23 runs short of the target. After such a promising start to both matches and the first two rounds, the ACT Meteors departed Perth suffering two disappointing losses.



Captain Erin Osborne leading the team on to the field//GETTYIMAGES

Round 5 vs. South Australia

The ACT Meteors went into their match against South Australia with a 2-2 record, needing to win both of their remaining games comfortably to qualify for the WNCL final. Star internationals Dane Van Niekerk and Marizanne Kapp were unavailable for the trip to Hobart after South Africa flew them home for a series against India. The match against the

Scorpions at Kingston Twin Ovals started well when after being asked to bat first, openers Katie Mack and Claire Koski got the team off to a flying start, putting on 125 for the opening stand. Katie Mack (52) was eventually dismissed but Koski continued her onslaught throughout the innings to knock up her maiden WNCL hundred (132 off 153) as she steered the Meteors to a commanding total of 268. In response, South Australia also made a flying start with inconsistent lines and lengths, allowing South Australia's top order to reach 109 in the 15th over for just the loss of one wicket. Captain Erin Osborne (1-42) made the second wicket breakthrough to give the Meteors a glimmer of hope, but this was quickly quashed by New Zealand International, Sophie Devine, who hammered the Meteors bowlers scoring 88 off just 53 balls to see the Scorpions comfortably home in the 41st over and with 5 wickets to spare.

Round 6 vs. Tasmania

The final match of the WNCL campaign was back at Kingston Twin Ovals against Tasmania with the Meteors determined to finish their campaign on a high. Erin Osborne won the toss and had no hesitation in batting first. After an early wicket, Katie Mack (36 off 54 balls) continued her good form to get the Meteors off to a good start. After her departure, Erin Osborne (29 off 40 balls), Erin Burns (57 off 57 balls), Hayley Jensen (32 off 47 balls), and Angela Reakes (46 off 43 balls) continued the momentum to take ACT to a handsome total of 246. In reply, Tasmania were never really in the hunt with the Meteors producing a much more disciplined bowling performance to dismiss the hosts for 160. Samantha Bates (2-29 off 9) continued her outstanding form throughout WNCL and was well supported by Erin Osborne (2-27) and Erin Burns (2-16). Fast bowlers Nicola Hancock (1-19 off 4) and Maitlan Brown (1-19 off 5) also bowled with good pace and control early in the innings.

Final Comments

The ACT Meteors 2017/2018 campaign saw them finish in fourth, an improvement from last season. However, despite 3 losses the team were in commanding positions all these games but lacked the ruthlessness to maintain the pressure on their opponents. The Meteors performed well against some quality opposition, beating table toppers and finalists from the previous year, Queensland. Nonetheless, their season was brought undone by inconsistency, and the team slipped down the table at the back-end of the year. What mustn't be overlooked when history shows their three wins and three losses record is the skill and talent that this current group of players possess—they need to now embark on developing leadership and greater mental resolve to seize opportunities when they present in the coming season.

After the tremendous success of the WBBL last year, many Meteors players once again chose to take up contracts with interstate franchises. Thirteen of our fourteen Meteors took part, with Angela Reakes, Emily Leys, Jodie Hicks, and Erin Burns going on to feature for the tournament champions, the Sydney Sixers. The experience and professionalism that all ACT athletes gained as a part of the WBBL setup will be invaluable for their development, and they will bring that extended knowledge back with them to the Meteors program.

Finally, Cricket ACT would like to extend its most profound thanks to the entire Meteors staff and playing squad for their hard work towards running another successful WNCL campaign and developing a highly effective program for years to come.

ACT/NSW COUNTRY COMETS

Kyle Piper – ACT Head Coach

Futures League Representatives

Nicholas Larkin, Henry Hunt, Jono Dean, Jay Lenton (Captain), Shane Devoy, Blake Macdonald, Andrew Harriott, Dean Solway, Trent Copeland (Captain), Ben Taylor, Harry Medhurst, Cameron Suidgeest, Tom Pinson, Justin Avendano, Matt Gilkes, Nathan McAndrew, Joe Kershaw, Jason Sangha, Jonathon Cook, Nic Maddinson, and Tom Engelbrecht.

ACT/NSW Country Comets Debutants

Nick Larkin – vs. NSW Metropolitan, Oct 16, 2017

Jay Lenton – vs. NSW Metropolitan, Oct 16, 2017

Trent Copeland – vs. NSW Metropolitan, Oct 16, 2017

Tom Pinson – vs. NSW Metropolitan, Oct 16, 2017

Justin Avendano – vs. Western Australia, Nov 6, 2017

Joe Kershaw – vs. Western Australia, Nov 6, 2017

Jason Sangha – vs. South Australia, Nov 20, 2017

Jonathon Cook – vs. South Australia, Nov 20, 2017

Nic Maddinson – vs. Victoria, Feb 19, 2018

Tom Engelbrecht– vs. Victoria, Feb 19, 2018



Nic Maddinson (left) and Tom Engelbrecht (right) on debut

Coaching and Support Staff

Kyle Piper (Head Coach), Michael Delaney (Assistant Coach), Jono Dean (Assistant Coach), Greg McLay (Assistant Coach), Beau Casson (Assistant Coach), Aiden Blizzard (Assistant Coach), Darren Richards (Specialist Coach), Christine Higgisson (Player Development Manager), and Cricket ACT Staff.

Kingsgrove Twenty20

Corey Spink, Aiden Blizzard, Dean Solway, Michael Spaseski, Tom Engelbrecht, Harry Medhurst, Sam Taylor, Shane Devoy, Tom Vane Tempest, Charlie Morris, Djali Bloomfield, John Rogers, Scott Murn, Benji Floros, Brendan Duffy, Michael Ninneman, and Cameron Suidgeest.

Plan B Regional Bush Bash – ACT Aces

Daniel Leerdam, Ollie Anable, Josh Low-McMahon, Jordie Misic, Jono Dean, Corey Spink, Harry Medhurst, Tim Floros, Matt Condon, Ethan Bartlett, Luke Ryan, Mark Solway, Josh Corbett, Blake Dean, Ben Mitchell, Justin Haywood, Jesse Cao, Josh Wattling, and Andrew Tivey.

Kingsgrove Twenty20

Round 1 vs. Campbelltown-Camden

The first match of a doubleheader at Manuka saw the ACT side start the season in the field. Strong performances from Tom Engelbrecht (3 for 27) and Charlie Morris (2 for 29) held Campbelltown-Camden to what appeared to be a sub-par score at Manuka of 157. The ACT chase got off to a poor start with only 1 of the top six getting to double figures. Solid lower order hitting from Sam Taylor (32) and Shane Devoy (51) saw the side get within a striking distance but ultimately, the loss of too many early wickets meant the side was bowled out with 9 balls to spare and 10 runs short.

Round 2 vs. Blacktown

Game 2 of the doubleheader at Manuka saw the ACT side bat first but again have top-order batting issues. Only 1 of the top 7, Dean Solway (51), made it past double figures. Strong hitting from Sam Taylor (46 from 27) at the close of the innings saw the side scrap to 126, which appeared to be well short of par. In reply, Blacktown started solidly and appeared to be on track until some tight bowling from Tom Engelbrecht (2 for 16), Cameron Suidgeest (2 for 10), and Sam Taylor (3 for 12) saw Blacktown fall short to be all out for 94.

Round 3 vs. Northern District

The first away trip of the T20 season coincided with an away Futures match and the ACT ACES weekend. As a result, the side's resources were stretched. This provided an opportunity for the current best performing T20 players to come into the side, mainly Scott Murn (ANU), Michael Ninneman (ANU), and Brendan Duffy (Wests/UC). Northern Districts batted first and set a strong total of 155. Wickets were spread with the best performer being Djali Bloomfield (1 for 14). In reply, it was a lone hand from John Rogers (74 from 59) that made the chase more respectable than what it was. The side fell 28 runs short of the target.

Round 4 vs. Penrith

The Comets' final match of the Kingsgrove Sports T20 Cup season for 2017/2018 saw the side travel to Penrith. As the opportunity to make finals was gone, the selected side reflected those Premier players who were in form in the Canberra competition. Penrith batted first and set an imposing total of 181 from their 20 overs. The line-up boasted Sam Billings and Joshua Lalor, who were playing as part of their lead up to the Big Bash. Djali Bloomfield again demonstrated his white ball credentials, holding a strong line-up. He finished with 1 for 24 from his four overs. In reply, the ACT batting struggled to find a rhythm, an issue that the side encountered all campaign. Aiden Blizzard (31) and John Rogers (26) were the only batters to get going, but the side fell 53 runs short.

Plan B Regional Bush Bash

Round 1 vs. South Coast Crew

The side played as the curtain raiser at Manuka to the Kingsgrove cup doubleheader. This provided a great opportunity for players from the region to play in an international venue. This was well received by all players involved in the match. The South Coast Crew batted first and found the going difficult with the side only posting 75. The best performers for the ACES were Ethan Bartlett (4 for 17), Blake Dean (2 for 11), and Ben Mitchell (2 for 13). In reply, the ACES made light work of the chase, achieving the total in 6.1 overs. Captain Matt Condon led the charge with 40 not out.

Round 2 vs. Orana Outlaws

Unfortunately, both rounds 2 and 3 of this competition were washed out and thus, the sides who qualified in the previous season progressed through to the finals day at the SCG.

Round 3 vs. Central West Wranglers

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Toyota Futures League

Round 1 vs. NSW Metropolitan

This was the first ever match as ACT/NSW Country saw the side win the toss and elect to bat at Manuka and start the season in strong fashion with the bat. The side closed at 9/461 in their first innings, highlighted by 189 to Nick Larkin and 101 to Jay Lenton. In response, NSW Metropolitan pushed strongly and compiled 9/416. Harry Medhurst stood out with the ball, capturing 5 for 85 from 22 overs. The match then looked to accelerate towards a 2nd innings outcome. ACT/NSW Country moved quickly to 3 declared for 244 to set up a chase of 296 for victory. Nick Larkin again showed his class with 129 not out and he was strongly supported by Blake Macdonald who finished with 55 not out. In what eventuated into a tight game, NSW Metropolitan finished at 7/242 at the close of day 4. The match ended in an entertaining draw that had both sides a chance to win going into the last hour of the match. Shane Devoy finished with 4/76 in the 2nd innings to close out a strong match from the ACT/NSW Country side.



Nick Larkin (left) after scoring 189 on day one

Round 2 vs. Western Australia

This match saw the side travel to the West and 2 debutants in the form of Justin Avendano and Joe Kershaw. Western Australia batted first and made the most of a great wicket, closing their innings at 6 declared for 416. Will Bosisto compiled 200 with Clint Hinchcliffe joining him with 121 of his own. In reply, it was a below-standard batting display from the Comets finishing all out for 260 on a flat wicket. Western Australia opted to bat again and

hammered home their advantage, declaring at 6/309. This left the Comets a mountain to climb in order to chase down the runs. Again, the batting faulted and despite some solid contributions throughout the order, there were no partnerships for the batting unit at any stage throughout this match, particularly during key periods. The side was all out 213 in their 2nd innings, which whilst disappointing, was a fair reflection of the gap between the 2 sides. The side had much improvement to do from this point in the season.

Round 3 vs. South Australia

Away in Adelaide for this match and on a wicket that provided a bit for the bowlers on day 1, the Comets found themselves in trouble in the 1st innings and ultimately, were all out 198. Justin Avendano offered the only resistance with a quick fire 57 in the first session. In reply, South Australia showed their class in navigating the wicket until they settled finishing their 1st innings all out 303. Comets' bowler Joe Kershaw finished with his first 5 wicket haul at this level, which was a pleasing achievement. The 2nd innings saw a much-improved fight from the Comets, in particular from Justin Avendano (205) and Jay Lenton (97), who combined for a 246 run partnership for the 3rd wicket. Matt Gilkes provided an entertaining finish to the innings with a quick-fire 77 that saw the side in apposition to declare at 7/495 and chase an outright result heading into day 4. This was a position that seemed very unlikely after the 1st innings but a reflection of the belief that the group was starting to develop. A very entertaining day 4 ensued with again all possible results up for grabs moving into the last hour. Joe Kershaw took the 9th wicket with South Australia still requiring 25 for victory. Unfortunately, former Comet Nick Winter had other ideas where he and Luke Robins combined to see South Australia prevail with a wicket in hand and 2 overs left in the match. Despite the loss, it was pleasing that the side had fought so deep into the match after a poor start to the game. This was a significant learning moment for the group that ultimately led to the post-Christmas performances that unfolded.

Round 4 vs. Tasmania

Round 4 took the ACT/NSW Country Comets to Hobart and it also saw the side using Dukes balls for the remainder of the summer. Batting first on a challenging wicket, the Comets fought their way to 187, led by 82 from Henry Hunt, an innings that would soon be shown to be significant in the conditions. After being bundled out, the Comets went about returning the favour and Nathan McAndrew set about a dominant display of swing bowling, finishing with 5 for 30 to skittle the Tasmanian side for just 87. On what was still a damp and challenging wicket, the Comets still found the going tough in the 2nd innings which unusually was already commenced before lunch on day 2. Blake Macdonald led a strong display with 86 of the sides 225. Of concern for the side was that as the day progressed, the wicket had begun to flatten and the tail was able to bat most of the final session with limited issues. This left Tasmania with 316 for victory on a wicket that had flattened out and a line-up that had many first-class cricketers, mainly Ben Dunk. Unfortunately, the concern developed into the reality with the wicket flattening and the Tasmanian batters finding the going much better. They reached the target only four wickets down just after lunch on day 3, which ended a very fast paced-match.

Round 5 vs. Victoria

The side returned to Canberra to play the final two matches at Chisholm Oval. For the round 5 match, the side saw 2 more debutants in the form of former Australian Test player Nic Maddinson and Tuross Head native Tom Engelbrecht playing their first matches for the side. Bowling first, Joe Kershaw and Nathan McAndrew continued their strong seasons with the ball. Both picked up 3 wickets as the Victorians were bowled out for 172. In reply,

the Comets had strong contributions and ongoing partnerships throughout the innings. Highlights were Tom Engelbrecht (80) on debut combining with Matt Gilkes (65) for a 122 run partnership at a crucial time of the game. They were ably supported by Jay Lenton (77) and Nic Maddinson (51). The side closed at 401. The Victorian side found the going just as tough in the 2nd innings as they had in the 1st, with the side falling to be all out for 235, a lead of just 6 runs. Shane Devoy was the pick of the bowlers, claiming 4 for 36. The Comets chased the runs for the loss of 0 wickets, which saw the side win its first game in 3 years. To win in such a dominant manner was a great reward for the group that had to learn from the narrow losses earlier in the season. Tom Engelbrecht on debut was a highlight. He finished with match figures of 2/24(9) and 2/33 (15) to accompany his 80 in the 1st innings, a well-deserved player of the match award on Comets debut.

Round 6 vs. Queensland

The final match of the season saw the side play again at Chisholm. Batting first, the Comets top order found the going difficult with the side falling to 6/94 but as the season had demonstrated, the group now had a stronger sense of self-belief resilience. The middle order and tail set about their work, getting the side to 306. Tom Engelbrecht (51) and Jono Cook (56) were well supported by Nathan McAndrew (44) and Shane Devoy (45). In reply, the Queensland side was held together by former Test Batsman Peter Forrest (106) who batted superbly. Wickets fell steadily around him and ultimately the Queenslanders were dismissed for 250. Nathan McAndrew picking up yet another five-wicket haul for the season. He finished with 5/50 (16). The second innings saw the Comets captain Jay Lenton show his class with a patient 109, steering the Comets side to a strong position at 8 declared for 383. The entire order provided support with partnerships but Lenton was a class above. Chasing 440 for victory on a turning wicket, the Queensland batters provided brave resistance but ultimately fell 158 runs short. Jono Cook finished with 4 wickets to ensure the Comets side finished the season on a high with back-to-back wins.

Final Comments

The first season of the ACT/NSW Country Comets as a part of the MOU saw some great opportunities for our local players along with others from country areas to play with and against elite and seasoned professional cricketers. This season, there were 10 debutants in the Futures League space. This has seen a lifting in the standards and expectations as part of this program and those that act as a pathway into this side. This, in time, will result in a better level of Premier cricket locally and will also improve the success of the broader playing group. To win 2 games at the end of the Futures league season in rounds 5 and 6 was pleasing, especially when the side had not won a game for 3 years prior. Ultimately though, the success of this program is judged upon players graduating to Domestic and International levels. A clear focus for this program moving forward is to provide an environment where players continue to learn and develop whilst upholding the Comets values of Respect, Mateship, Work Ethic and Compete.

A big thanks must go to Aiden Blizzard (Game Day Coach Rds. 1-4), Jono Dean and Michael Delaney (Assistant Coaches); Darren Richards, Beau Casson and Greg McLay (Specialist Coaches); and Ray Hatch (Manager). We would also like to thank Brad Van Dam and his staff for the enormous amount of work and effort they put into preparing quality match and practice facilities. Finally, we would like to thank the wider Cricket ACT staff for their tireless work behind the scenes, which allowed us to run an extensive and successful program throughout the season.

HIGH PERFORMANCE

James Allsopp – General Manager, High Performance

The 2017/18 season was another busy and productive season for the Cricket ACT High-Performance Department.

Congratulations are extended to all those who participated in the various High-Performance programs, and a sincere thank you goes out to all the coaches and support staff for their invaluable work during the 2017/18 season.

Congratulations to Kyle Piper, who was officially elevated to ACT/NSW Country Comets Head Coach throughout the summer and immediately began his tenor in charge of the side with two victories in the last two rounds of the Toyota Futures League competition. Kyle has been the consistent driving force behind the high-performance programs in the ACT for a number of years, and his promotion to head coach of our elite male program is a fitting one.

There were various highlights during the season. These were headlined by a move in December to a new headquarters and high-performance training facility at Phillip Oval, which is already enhancing cricket in the ACT and surrounding regions. In October, Cricket ACT played host to the annual Sydney Thunder ACT and Regional Rookie search, while in January, Cricket ACT hosted 10 players from the Hong Kong National side during their preparation for the ICC World Cup Qualifiers.

In terms of team success, both the ACT/NSW Country under 15s and under 18s female teams won at their respective national championships, while the Abode Hotels ACT Meteors held the Southern Stars to a draw in a day/night 3-day fixture at Manuka Oval. In terms of individual domestic honours, Tom Rogers secured himself a full contract with the Tasmanian Tigers for the 2017/18 domestic season, adding his name to a long list of ACT players to make the transition into state cricket ranks. Tom was instrumental during the Tigers run to the Sheffield Shield Final and was a strong contributor to the Hobart Hurricanes who finished runners-up in the BBL|07. A local ACT product, Nick Winter, also earned himself a contract recall prior to the 2017/18 season and with some superb red ball form in the second half of the season finished 2nd in Sheffield Shield Player of the Year vote.

Jono Dean featured prominently for the Adelaide Strikers in their run to becoming BBL|07 Champions, while Aiden Blizzard made appearances for the Sydney Thunder. In WBBL|02, Erin Burns, Emily Leys and Angela Reakes were part of the Sydney Sixers side who became back-to-back WBBL champions. Maitlan Brown was also selected in the inaugural Women's National Performance Squad after strong domestic performances.

High Performance farewelled some key staff over the course of the 2017/18 season. After one season as Assistant Coach of both the Abode Hotels ACT Meteors and the ACT Comets, Luke Butterworth was recruited by the West End Redbacks. During his short time with Cricket ACT, Luke was able to share invaluable cricket knowledge and expertise with all players and coaches while also fine-tuning his coaching pedagogy, which will hopefully see him continue his highly successful coaching pathway within Australian Cricket. At the end of the season, Aiden Blizzard also confirmed that he would be departing Cricket ACT.



Nick Winter celebrated a huge season on debut with the South Australian Redbacks//GETTYIMAGES

During his 3-year tenure, Aiden held the role of ACT Comets Captain and ACT Comets Head Coach before moving into the General Manager of High-Performance position. Aiden was a key driver of the complete restructuring of the Cricket ACT High-Performance department while making significant contributions to athletes, staff and stakeholders involved in Cricket both at a community level in the ACT and more broadly within Australian Cricket. The High-Performance Department would like to thank both Luke and Aiden for their services and take the time to wish these two individuals well in their future endeavours.

Staff

Abode Hotels ACT Meteors Head Coach: James Allsopp
Abode Hotels ACT Meteors Assistant Coaches: Luke Butterworth, Kyle Piper & Kris Britt
ACT NSW Country Comets Head Coach: Aiden Blizzard & Kyle Piper
ACT Comets Assistant Coaches: Mick Delaney & Jono Dean
ACT Comets Manager: Ray Hatch
SSSM & Athletic Performance Manager: Michael Barrington
PDM: Christine Higginson

SSSM Providers

Dietician: Benita Lalor
Physiotherapists: Elite Sports Rehab and Physiotherapy
Sports Doctor: Kylie Shaw
Psychologist: Vicki DePrazer

New Programs:

Hong Kong International Player Program

National, State Team Selection

- Hayley Jensen selected to play for New Zealand.
- Maitlan Brown selected in Women's National Performance Squad.
- Matthew Gilkes was invited to attend the NPS Fielding and Wicket-Keeping Program.
- Thomas Englebrecht was invited to attend the NPS Cricket Australia Spin Camp at the Bupa National Cricket Centre in Brisbane.
- Blake Macdonald was selected as 12th man for the Prime Minister's XI match.
- Tom Rogers secured a full contract with the Tasmanian Tigers and Hobart Hurricanes. Tom was named the 12th man of the ACA All*Star Sheffield Shield Team of the Year.
- Nick Winter regained a full contract with South Australia and the Adelaide Strikers. Nick was named in the ACA All*Star Sheffield Shield Team of the Year after finishing 2nd in Sheffield Shield Player of the Year voting.
- Mac Wright made his One-Day Domestic Debut for the Cricket Australia XI in the JLT One Day Cup.
- Jono Dean and Aiden Blizzard represented the Adelaide Strikers and Sydney Thunder respectively during BBL|07.
- Samantha Bates named in the WBBL ACA All*Star Team of the Year.
- Eleven Meteors players represented WBBL franchises throughout the season with 3 players representing the Sydney Sixers who took home the championship.
- Sixers: Dane van Niekerk, Marizanne Kapp, Emily Leys, Angela Reakes, and Erin Burns.
- Thunder: Samantha Bates.
- Stars: Katie Mack and Erin Osborne.
- Renegades: Maitlan Brown, Claire Koski, and Hayley Jensen.
- Hurricanes: Nicola Hancock.

U19 Selection for ACT/Southern players

Matthew Gilkes

Sam Skelly

Tom Engelbrecht

Blake Nikitaras

Jordie Mistic

Daniel Leerdam

Charles Dummer

Jason Ralston

Dominic O'Shannessy (CA XI)

U17 Selection for ACT/Southern players

Ravi Wikramanayake

Kaleb Phillips

Joshua Low-McMahon

Dominic O'Shannessy

Felix Ford selected in the Australian U16 Squad

Tournaments

Cricket ACT hosted the following Cricket Australia tournaments during the 2017/18 season;

- Under 18 National Championships (Female)

Youth Age Representative Team Highlights

- Under 15 ACT/NSW Country (Female) – champions at the U15 National Cricket Championships.
- Under 18 ACT/NSW Country (Female) – 50 over champions and T20 runners-up at the U18 National Cricket Championships.

Emerging Age and SSA Representative Team Highlights

- ACT Under 12 male side finished third in the Arch Cawsey Shield Competition.
- ACT Under 15 female side finished first at Western Zone Carnival.

Sydney Thunder ACT and Regional Rookie

Blake Macdonald and Claire Murray were selected to be the Sydney Thunder BBL ACT and Regional Rookies for 2017/18.

Acknowledgements

Cricket ACT would like to acknowledge the support, effort, and commitment of the following coaches and managers across the 2017/18 season:

- ACT/NSW Country U19 Male - Greg McLay (Head Coach) and Alex Kemp (Assistant Coach).
- ACT/NSW Country U18 Female - Troy McKiernan (Head Coach) and Tom Anderson (Assistant Coach).
- ACT/NSW Country U17 Male - Mark Cameron (Head Coach) and Kyle Piper (Assistant Coach).
- ACT/NSW Country U15 Female Steve Davies (Head Coach) and Luke Knight (Assistant Coach).
- ACT/Southern Zone Academy – Michael O'Rourke (Male) & Nicola Browne (Female).
- SSA 15 & Under Team Male – Michael O'Rourke (Head Coach), Darryle Macdonald (Assistant Coach) & Michael Frost (Manager).
- SSA 12 & Under Team Male – Brad Falkenberg and Rob Whyte.

- SSA 12 & Under Team Female - Amelia Cheney & Anastasia O'Donnell.
- ACT Under 15 Male – Matt Phelps, Michael Frost and Brad Falkenberg.
- ACT Under 15 Female – Rebecca Maher.
- ACT Under 14 Male - Rukshan Abeyaratne, Chris Reid & Andrew Crozier.
- ACT Under 13 Male - Ben Ryan & Jake Floros.
- ACT Under 13 Female - Anastasia O'Donnell.
- ACT Under 12 Male - Matt Paton & Jacob Tumeth.
- ACT Youth Performance & Youth Development Squad - Michael O'Rourke & Darren Richards.
- ACT Meteors Youth Performance Squad - Michael O'Rourke & Darren Richards.
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The logo for Abode Hotels is displayed on a solid black rectangular background. The word "abode" is written in a white, lowercase, cursive script font. Below it, the word "HOTELS" is written in a white, uppercase, bold, sans-serif font.

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GAME DEVELOPMENT

Nicola Browne - Development Leader - ACT, Southern & Western NSW

Being able to work with the cricket community is a humbling experience and one that Game Development staff members are very grateful for. Our team of six Development Managers have had another large season supporting and growing Junior Cricket in the ACT and Southern NSW region.

Whilst most of our focus goes on introducing and cementing cricket in schools, we have had a larger focus on integrating the new Junior Formats and growing girls' cricket the last two seasons. The ACT, as always, are fast to adopt new changes, and supporting them through this change has been relatively smooth. The southern NSW regions have seen a strong uptake of Stage 1 in Junior Formats and all regions have seen growth in Junior Girls' teams with plenty of successful applicants of Cricket Australia's Growing Girls Cricket Fund.

Focusing on Cricket ACT-specific outcomes for the year, we would like to start by saying how indebted we are to the magnificent support we receive from the ACT community, whose assistance enables our programs to succeed. The Game Development Department would like to thank the following:

- Cricket Australia
- Cricket NSW
- Active Canberra (ACT Sport and Recreation Services)
- School Sport ACT
- Kookaburra
- The Lord's Taverners
- Australian Sports Commission
- Nestlé MILO – who finished up their sponsorship with Cricket Australia at the end of June 2018

Below is a brief outline of the various programs run by the Game Development ACT duo, Kris Britt and Michael Minns, who took over the ACT North and Districts region from Nicola Browne in October.

Cricket in ACT Schools

We offer three programs in schools: MILO in2CRICKET Extended Skills Program, a 4-week program; Mascots Challenge, a program developed to assist Foundation to Grade 2 students in fundamental movement skills and physical literacy; and MILO T20 Blast School Cup, both delivered mainly by our committed casual staff and interns. A few key facts from this season:

- 13, 376 students went through the MILO in2CRICKET skills program in the ACT.
- Mascots Challenge introduction saw 910 students.
- Over 740 teams competed in the MILO T20 Blast School Cups in the ACT.
- Our four interns and twelve casual staff helped us deliver these programs.

ACT/Southern NSW MILO T20 Blast School Cup Regional Finals

This year's event was hosted at Deakin on Tuesday 21st November to line up with the Women's Ashes. Thirty-two (32) teams competed across 3 divisions (Boys Year 5/6, Girls Year 5//6 and 7/8) from across ACT and Southern NSW. ACT-based school Aranda Primary won the Girls Year 5/6 Division while Mary Mackillop won the Year Girls Year 7/8. These teams went on to compete in the State finals. Both teams came 2nd at this event, which is an excellent effort.

Cricket in ACT Clubs

Entry Level Programs

MILO in2CRICKET and MILO T20 Blast are still the prominent recruitment tools for getting kids into cricket. All clubs participated in each program, helping us build a base of 1,176 kids across both Entry-Level Programs.

Community Coaching Course

Cricket Australia offered free Community Coaching Course accreditations which attracted over 100 coaches to secure their accreditation.

Female

Teams across ACT were stable with the loss of one or two teams at the back-end of the season. The successful introduction of a Social Women's Cricket competition in partnership with ANU Sport and ANU Cricket Club was held early in 2018 at Willows field at ANU. This will look to be rolled out early in the 2018 season—keep an eye out.

A new female strategy is currently being put together for 2018 to 2022.

Club Support

Clubs, associations, and the volunteers who drive them represent the lifeblood of the game. Cricket Australia is developing several new projects that will support clubs and associations both on and off the field along with continuing support to existing projects that work toward that same end. The website community.cricket.com.au is a comprehensive resource that gives guidance for MyCricket support and everything else that a club requires to operate effectively. The new Junior Formats app is a must and provides skill-coaching videos as well as easy-to-follow how-to guides for conducting a game.

Presidents Breakfast

Cricket ACT-based Development Managers host three breakfasts across the season for Presidents of Junior Clubs. High-level updates, strategic direction, and idea-sharing form the base of these forums. Most importantly, it is a chance to build relationships before and during the season so we can work as one team.

Cricket in Communities

Multi-cultural

Mosaic Cricket

Cricket ACT supports several multicultural activities, including the FINACT cricket competition and the Akram-Tendulkar Cup played between the Indian and Pakistani Canberra-based communities each year. This season, the community has worked closely with Herman Lotey, Multicultural Manager from Cricket NSW, to transition these tournaments to recognised Australian Cricket events.

Moneygram Thunder Nation Cup

The MoneyGram Thunder Nation Cup gives cricket players from seven cultural backgrounds the chance to experience the fun and excitement of cricket whilst representing their community. Cricket ACT got to host one of the days on Sunday 15th October, with the winner being Sher E Punjab. Next year, the winner will get the opportunity to travel to Sydney to compete in the wider Thunder Nation Cup. This is a great way to connect the Canberra community with the Sydney Thunder community.

All Abilities

The Lord's Taverners Table Cricket Championship

This season's event has been pushed into the start of next season to allow momentum and new connections to be made with schools.

Table Cricket is played on a table tennis table with boundaries around the edge like a fence. The ball is slightly smaller than a table tennis ball, and the batter uses a

miniature bat. A ramp, similar to a ten-pin bowling ramp, is used to bowl the ball. The ball must stay on the ground, and fielders have sliding fielders to protect the boundaries.

A special thank you must go to The Lord's Taverners for their fantastic support of this great initiative.

Governor General Day

The Governor General Day scheduled to be held on 1st December was, unfortunately, rained off this year. We usually showcase cricket to around 1000 children.

The Lord's Taverners' Spirit of Cricket Program

The Lord's Taverners' Spirit of Cricket program saw us rewarding several individual acts of true sportsmanship from throughout the season, calling attention to the value that these acts add to our great game. Congratulations to them for an outstanding effort.

Country Blitz

The Toyota Country Blitz was held on Monday 4th to Wednesday 6th September with Ed Cowan, Jay Lenton, Arjun Nair, and Charlie Stobo from the NSW Blues coming down to Canberra to partake in school visits and a community coaches' forum.

Game Development Support for Match Days at Manuka

Women's Ashes – Sunday 19 November

Here's a summary of the Game and Market Development contribution to the record attendance matches:

- 150 showbags were delivered to girls who play or are keen to play cricket.
- "Fill the hill" concept of ensuring the TV arc had plenty of attendees on screen. This was achieved by informal invitations out to our female players to bring families and friends to sit on the hill.
- Thunder Bus during matches and school visits between games seeing over 1000 students.
- NextGen activations with 4 clubs taking part in On-Ground Activities, including a school from Dubbo that had 6 girls stay behind from the Regional Finals to watch the Ashes.



Australian Women's Cricket Team players Elyse Villani and Amanda-Jade Wellington visited St Clares College ahead of the Women's Ashes matches in Canberra.

Sydney Thunder - Activations

Game Development supported the Sydney Thunder staff with community engagement activations in the lead up to and on the day of the WBBL/BBL matches on Wednesday 24th January. An overview below of the activities:

Monday 22nd January - Super Clinic at Hughes Oval saw 60+ children take part in a 90-minute clinic with the Thunder Bus and players from both men's and women's teams.

Tuesday 23rd January - Camp Thunder for over 40 participants aged from 5 to 8 years. The Thunder Bus was present again and the Camp was run by local casual staff.

Wednesday 24th January (Game Day) - Junior players from Queanbeyan, WCMCC, NCGCC, and ANU got the opportunity for On-Ground Entertainment experience.

Staff updates

Kris Britt – Development Manager ACT South and South Coast

Kris finished her two-year tenure on Friday 23rd March. Kris's contribution in her role as Game Development Manager—ACT South and South Coast—has been phenomenal. Kris came into the role in February 2016 and picked up the role very quickly and could maintain and grow the large targets set by Matthew Paton. Kris has contributed to the department through her strengths of administration skills and building better templates. As Kris is moving to Cairns for lifestyle reasons, she has worked tirelessly to ensure her predecessor is set up for success, booking in numerous programs and having planned the calendar in full. Kris'

contribution extends beyond Game Development and I am sure will be captured in other reports.

I would formally like to thank Kris for her contributions to grassroots cricket in the ACT and outer regions.

Staff Uplift

Cricket NSW has secured funding from Cricket Australia to increase the number of Game Development Managers across NSW and ACT. The Southern NSW and ACT hub has managed to secure an extra position, which will be purely ACT. All positions are still based in the ACT office with the new role titles being:

- Development Manager – ACT (TBC)
- Development Manager – South Coast (TBC)
- Development Manager – Southern Inland (Michel Minns)

Looking forward to next season

Game Development is becoming a key focus across Australia Cricket. Looking forward to next season, Development Managers will be ensuring adoption and integration of the full Junior Formats pathway, introducing the refreshed Entry Level Programs with a new sponsor (TBC), and will have an ever-increasing focus on growing girls' cricket.

An uplift in staff and a refreshed Cricket Australia Game Development Department will see more support than ever before for the community. However, volunteers, organisations, charities and school teachers are still the lifeblood of grassroots and we should always remember cricket is around and alive because of the tireless hours they put into the game. Game Development is here to serve and support these people. Enjoy your winter off and we look forward to connecting soon to set up another successful season.

UMPIRES & SCORERS

Paul Edwards – Chairman ACT Cricket Umpires and Scorers Council

The 2017/18 season for cricket umpires and scorers in the ACT was a long but good one. Our members, some 60 umpires and scorers, officiated in a plethora of Grade Cricket and high level representative games and national carnivals across the ACT and around the nation, performing at a standard that pleasingly drew commendation for both the officials and the Council. Many members also undertook extracurricular duties in schools, veterans, Defence and community cricket.

The highlights of the season are best illustrated in the milestones and achievements of several of our members with Mark Vergano, our Umpires' Observer, being awarded Life Membership of Cricket ACT, Terry Keel breaking the record for the most number of 1st Grade matches umpired and winning the Kevin McCarty Medal for Umpire of the Year, Rammanee Shivakkumar winning the Scorers' Award, Simon Lightbody being elevated to CA's National Umpires Panel, Dinusha Bandara being appointed as the 4th Umpire for the PM's XI match and the representative panel of Dinusha Bandara, Drew Crozier, Deanne Young and Andrew Scotford being given the opportunity to stand in a range of CA Pathway matches and under-age tournaments ranging from the Toyota Futures League to the WBBL and WNCL.

In 2017/18 the Executive, Gary Rees, Drew Crozier, Andrew Kopras, Terry Keel, Adam Morehouse and Catherine Polglase, worked tirelessly in some difficult circumstances and with little opportunity for their work behind the scenes to be seen. I would like to thank them for their commitment to taking the business of the Council forward with the sole aim of ensuring members enjoy their umpiring and scoring time.

Finally, no list of season plaudits would be complete without recognising the outstanding support that the Council received from Cricket ACT, and in particular Ben Ryan, Manager Competitions (amongst other hats) and the CEO, Cameron French. Thank you gentlemen.

Of course, amongst the highs, the exuberant appeals, the fine edges, the short runs and the long days at the cricket ground were some challenges too – the introduction of the new Laws of Cricket, an external review of a number of matters which focused on making membership of the Council simple and more enjoyable, a legal matter, and a round of cricket reshaped by 'extreme heat'.

There is little doubt that while these were issues to keep the Council on its toes throughout the year, they have been experiences that will bring change and help to deliver a new level of transparency and humility to all aspects of how our Council works both on and off the field.

To all of the Council's active participants over the 2017/18 season, and to the players and the clubs, I congratulate you and thank you for your patience and support. We live in a new cricket world, especially in the ACT where some significant developments are happening, and I wish you well on the cricket field and in the scorers' tent for the year ahead.

PREMIER CRICKET

Ben Ryan – Competitions Manager

The Weston Creek Molonglo juggernaut reached the grand finale in all three formats in the ACT Premier Cricket 2017/2018 season. Stretching back to 2014/2015, Creek have now played in an astonishing eleven successive grand finals in first grade. Although they were denied the T20 premiership due to a sensational run chase by Western District-UC, they could not be denied in the Gallop and Douglas Cup Finals.

With no PNG players returning, an agreement was made with Hong Kong Cricket to send ten players for two matches in January to assist their preparation for upcoming T20 world cup qualifiers. They also trained and played a series of trial matches arranged by Cricket ACT High Performance. The players were welcomed by the clubs and the arrangement was a success for all concerned.

In the Konica Minolta Twenty20 Cup final contested at Manuka Oval under lights, Creek batted first and compiled what looked to be a winning score of 3/196. Skipper John Rogers belted an unbeaten 72 off 45 balls, while Sam Taylor 42(28), Mark Bennett 37 no (22), and Jono Dean 27(22) played perfect support roles. Wests Captain Matt Condon threw caution to the wind and walked out with big-hitting all-rounder, Ethan Bartlett to launch an early attack. What followed was a savage assault on the Creek bowling that saw 133 runs plundered from the opening 11 overs. Condon smashed 65 off only 36 balls (three sixes) while Bartlett launched five sixes in a whirlwind 74 off only 34 balls. Callum Taylor 25(17) and Joe Cooks 19(18) then calmly took the team to victory with 8 wickets and 16 balls to spare.



Konica Minolta T20 Champions - Western District - UC

The John Gallop Cup took on even more significance with the sad passing of John in September. Justice Gallop had been an ornament to cricket in the ACT for more than 50 years. ANU was rewarded with some excellent performances by making the Grand Finale against Creek. ANU won the toss and batted on a typically flat Stirling Oval batting strip. Young Captain Dan Leerdam led the way with a courageous 98(158) after being hit in the helmet whilst on nought. All-rounder Scott Murn 42(52) made a valuable contribution that lifted the total to a competitive 9/225. Creek got off to a shaky start, collapsing to 2/10, including the prized scalp of Blake Dean for nought. Mark Bennett arrested control back with a stylish 70(86) in a 105-run partnership with John Rogers 36(44). Some tight bowling in the middle overs by spinners Charmie Herath (3/30) and Ben Mitchell (2/39) threatened to turn the match around but, a patient 52no from 75 balls by Harry Medhurst guided Creek to victory with 5 balls to spare.

The Douglas Cup competition featured many highlights but none came close to the performance of Weston Creek Molonglo in the semi-final. Batting first at Stirling Oval against Queanbeyan, Creek was in early trouble, slumping to 3/18. Despite a partnership of 73 between Rogers 42(58) and Jono Dean, Creek was 4/91 with plenty of work to do. Sam Taylor 63(85) played an excellent hand but the score was soon 6/199 when Blake Dean strode to the crease to join brother Jono. What happened next will be forever etched in the annals of ACT cricket history. Blake Dean made an epic 291(381), which included 16 sixes. This was made even more remarkable given he was batting at number eight. Jono almost played second fiddle, racking up 205 off 389 balls. Their partnership was a whopping 252. Creek reached a mammoth 9/668 when Queanbeyan called the game without even batting.

The Grand Finale was held at a magnificent-looking Chisholm Oval for the second year in succession on an excellent cricket wicket. Eastlake batted first and posted a very competitive 290. Ryan Bartley made 86, Nikhil Mathai scored 64 at the top of the order, while Mitch Taylor-Briscoe contributed 36 and Adam Tett remained 37no after returning to the crease following a nasty blow to the head. Medhurst was the stand-out bowler, taking 4/63 from 21 hostile overs. Creek survived some nervous overs before stumps and resumed on day 2 with Rogers (25) and Robbie Trickett (39) laying a good foundation. Josh Myburgh made a patient 39 in a 76-run partnership with Mark Bennett who then piled on a 120-run stand with Jono Dean (66). At 4/279, Creek needed wickets in a hurry to at least force the match into a second innings battle. However, Bennett continued his masterful innings of patience and stroke play to finish on 167no. Sam Taylor crashed 82no from only 59 balls as Creek scooted to 4/430 late on day 2. At this point, Eastlake decided to shake hands and the cup was in the hands of Creek.

On the club scene, ANU made great strides with success on the field due largely to the work of Mark Vergano as President and Andrew Dawson as Coach. Opening bat, Corey Spink returned from a stint in the NT and promising left-arm quick Ben Jowett was added to the squad. The promotion of Leerdam to the Captaincy and the emergence of the Groenewegen twins ensure things are looking rosy in the future for the Owls. Owen Chivers enjoyed a consistent season with 594 runs at 37.13, while Leerdam (466) and Murn (423) were also amongst the runs. Ben Mitchell captured 29 wickets at 21.59 (and made the team of the year) and Murn completed a fine all-round season with 23 at 29.70, a spot in the team of the year. ANU had the top four grades in the one-day final and three out of the four in the two-day final, which augers well for next season.

Paul O'Malveney took over as Eastlake Captain while Adam Tett concentrated on head coach duties. Andrew Glover crossed over from North Canberra-Gungahlin to strengthen the batting, while Michael Spaseski returned to Queanbeyan. Eastlake gained momentum

as the season went on and were rewarded with a berth in the Douglas Cup Finals. Tom Henry led the batting with 522 runs at 34.80 while Hayden Page had a break-out season opening the bowling. He took 37 wickets at 18.30 and was named in the team of the year. With the momentum gained at the end of the season, the Demons can look to 2018/2019 with much optimism.

Ginninderra continued their revival with a solid campaign under the leadership of Mick Delaney. The addition of Angus Lelievre, Jarryd, Hatton and Balinder Singh-Khillan helped cover the absence of James Coate, Sam Gaskin, and Josh Kentwell. Rhys Healy had a break-out season scoring 528 runs at 44.0 and winning a spot in the team of the year. Luke Ryan and Jak Willcox both took 23 wickets to lead the bowling, which was weakened by an injury to Cameron Suidgeest. Young opener Jordie Mistic broke through for his first century and with other young talent in the wings such as Ethan Fitzpatrick and Dylan Faram, the Tigers will look to rise again next season.

North Canberra-Gungahlin endured a tough season in first grade. Worcester Captain, Joe Leach, did not return and Louis Rutzou, Andrew Glover, and Brock Winkler departed, leaving them with a very inexperienced team. Rohan Wight returned from Melbourne as playing coach and faced a difficult assignment. English recruit Liam Trevaskis added some experience to a young team. Ben Taylor and seventeen-year-olds Josh Low-McMahon and Esam Rahman were faced with a big task being key players this early in their careers. Trevaskis led the batting with 410 runs and Low-McMahon showed his great talent with 373 runs. Trevaskis also led the bowling aggregate with 19 wickets. With so many young players, Norths will look for further improvement in 2018/2019.

Queanbeyan welcomed the return of all-rounder Michael Spaseski to its ranks and enjoyed another very consistent season through all the grades. Michael O'Rourke was at the helm while Vele Dukoski handed the captaincy to Spaseski. Young leg-spinner Jack Allen bowled very impressively and Tyler van Luin emerged as a genuine strike bowler. Spaseski had a typically consistent season, making 657 runs and taking 32 wickets, which won him an all-rounder spot in the team of the year. Dukoski compiled 569 runs and captured 26 wickets and Dean Solway made 544 runs. Van Luin took 32 wickets at 20.55. Despite being on the end of the Creek avalanche, there is no doubt the Bluebaggers will be knocking on the door again next season.

Tuggeranong set about their Douglas Cup defence without premiership players, Jonny Whiteoak (remained in England) and Adam Ritchard (retired). Kevin Chapman only played the early part of the season, as did Eric Witheridge and strike bowler and Worcestershire player, Charlie Morris, returned home early through injury. Despite the losses, the Vikings were competitive through the grades under new head coach, Jake Floros. Floros provided a season highlight with a barnstorming 230 in second grade in the final round of the season. Timmy Floros topped the batting with 532 runs at 44.33, tied for the DB Robin Medal and was named in the team of the year. Opening partner Amit Sharma returned to form with 448 runs at 32.0. Captain Shane Devoy was typically consistent with the ball, taking 27 wickets at 20.44 and playing for the Comets. Emerging fast bowler Benji Floros took 22 wickets at 18.82. Another highlight was Meteors Captain Erin Osbourne, playing two matches in first grade. The Vikings will continue to develop young talent, including Tom Vane Tempest, Tyler Hays and Logan Ayres as they look to be a threat next season.

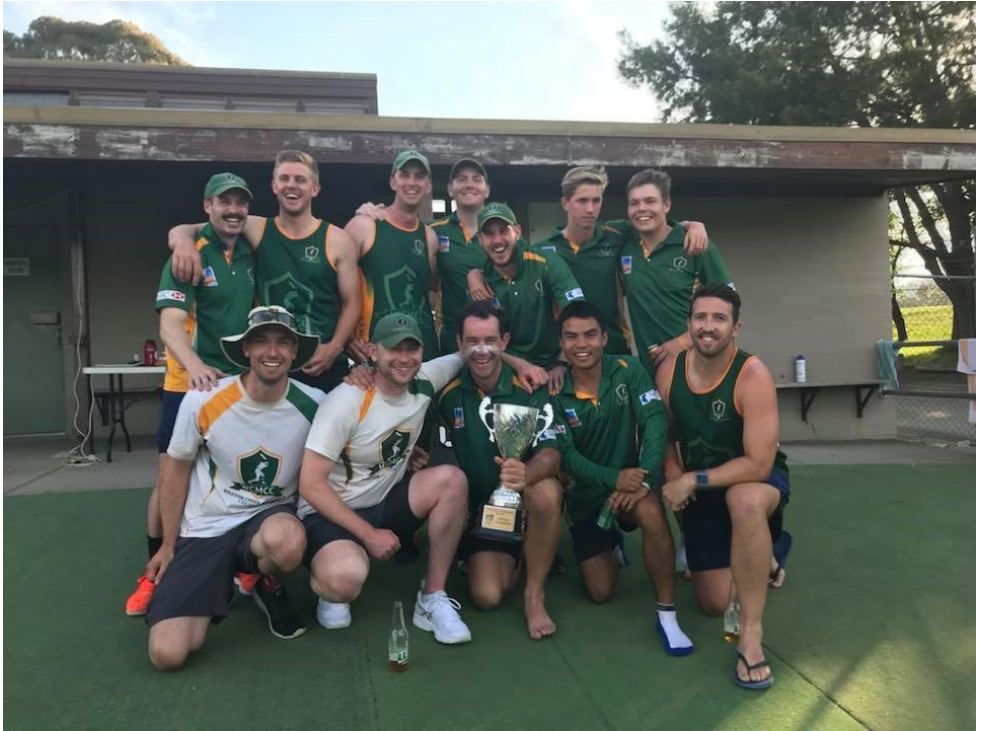
Western District-UC entered the season faced with several departures. Blake Macdonald, Matthew Gilkes and Sam Skelly left for Sydney, club legends Darren Richards and Ben Oakley retired, and key bowler Dale Riley was unavailable. Despite the losses, Matt

Condon led the team to the T20 triumph and to the top of the Gallop Cup ladder. However, after being knocked out in the semi-final, their form fell away in the Douglas Cup. All-rounder Ethan Bartlett had a fine season with 506 runs at 38.92 (and 24 wickets) and Condon made 486 at 44.18. Tom Englebrecht emerged as a genuine all-rounder to make 329 runs and take 36 wickets at only 16.28. Englebrecht was justly rewarded by tying for the Robin Medal, making the team of the year and debuting for the Comets.

For Weston Creek Molonglo, it was a watershed season where a string of heartbreaking grand final losses were avenged with the one and two-day triumphs. Featuring the strongest batting line-up in the competition backed up by plenty of firepower with the ball, the Creek proved unstoppable with memorable performances in the two-day finals. Skipper John Rogers racked up a formidable 835 runs at 92.78 for the season and Bennett compiled 559 at 34.94. Taylor (460 runs), Blake Dean (476), and Jono Dean (406 from only 5 matches at 101.50) also had great seasons. Medhurst blasted 36 wickets at 19.97, well supported by Djali Bloomfield (28 at 24.32). Taylor capped a fine all-round season by taking 21 wickets. Rogers, Bennett, and Medhurst all made the team of the year. There is no doubt that Creek will be hard to beat again in 2018/2019.



Two-Day Champions - Weston Creek Molonglo



One-Day Champions - Weston Creek Molonglo

Women's Competition

The 2017-2018 season of women's cricket again featured the Glenda Hall T20 Shield and the Lynne O'Meara Cup (40 overs). Unfortunately, ANU was not able to field a team due to the departure of a number of players, but Ginninderra entered the competition for the first time since a one-year stint in the 1970's.

The finals of the Glenda Hall Shield were celebrated at Manuka Oval in February. Western District-UC won through to the final against Weston Creek Molonglo. The Creek team elected to bat first and were in early trouble at 3/8. Wickets continued to tumble and Creek was only able to scramble to 9/81 from their 20 overs. The highlight was 13-year old keeper-batter Clare Levings, carrying her bat to make 33no. WDUCCC skipper Alisa Clark, April Wells, and Emma Greenhalgh each took 2 wickets. The Lions raced to victory thanks to Zoe Cooke 47no (26) and Cherie Taylor 19no (22).

The 40-over competition was decided on the final day of the season between Wests and Tuggeranong at Jamison Oval. Tuggeranong batted first and compiled a respectable 154. Megan Mayoh and Meg Woodberry both made 37 while Wells and Lauren Woods captured 3 wickets. Cooke soon shifted the momentum West's way with a blistering 98 off 73 balls and despite losing some late wickets, the premiersip was theirs by 5 wickets and Wests had completed the double. Victoria King took 4/38 for Tuggeranong while the other wicket was a run out.



Lynne O'Meara Shield Champions - Western District – UC



Glenda Hall T20 Shield Champions - Western District - UC

In a boon for women's cricket in the region, Ginninderra took to the field with a mixture of experience, namely Jo McIntyre from Weston Creek Molonglo and Deanne Young from WDUCCC and youth. Former ACT Meteors Aimee Harris and Sally Moylan also made cameo appearances. Moylan's two innings were 41no and 134no. Former ANU player Mary Waters led the aggregate with 268 runs, well supported by Mandy Powell with 245. Waters was also the leading bowler with 10 wickets. Whilst wins were scarce, Ginninderra will be much improved with a season under their belt.

North Canberra-Gungahlin had a good season, playing off in the finals in both competitions. Adelaide Jones led from the front with 344 runs and Jessica Phillips scored 256 runs. Former ACT Meteor Rebecca Maher made 159 runs from three matches, including 101no. Madison McGarry snared 15 wickets for the season and Jill Sheppard took 13. With new players taking the field, Norths look set for another good season in 2018/2019.

Tuggeranong recovered from a slow start to the season to make the Lynne O'Meara Final. Despite struggling with numbers at times, the girls continued to compete under the leadership of Bek Kidd. Makayla Clark had a terrific season scoring 358 runs as did Victoria King made 319. Clark also led the bowling with 15 wickets and young leg-spinner, Elizabeth Coper-Jones, captured 12. Tuggeranong will approach next season with plenty of confidence on where they are heading.

Western District-UC repeated what they did two years earlier by completing the double. They had great depth in their team and the best player in the competition for the past four seasons in Zoe Cooke. She went on to win her fourth consecutive SJ Moore Medal following another stellar season. Cooke scored an amazing 848 runs at an average of 77.09 including three centuries, the highest being a blazing 190no in the Lynne O'Meara semi-final. Cherie Taylor scored 354 runs and was only dismissed twice. Wests bowling was just as strong, led by Emma Greenhalgh, who took 22 wickets at an average of 14.36 and April Wells (21 at 11.57). Wests will be weakened by Cooke's elevation to the ACT Meteors but will no doubt be a force again next season.

Weston Creek Molonglo went into the season without 2017/2018 Captain Jo McIntyre (Ginninderra) but were excited by the development of future star, Clare Levings. At just 13yo, Levings made a brilliant 94no in round 3 of the Lynne O'Meara Cup to go with her mature knock in the Glenda Hall final. McIntyre's daughter, Sarah Seckold-McIntyre gained valuable experience in assuming the captaincy for the season. Kirsten Burrowes held the batting together with 232 runs but the lack of a strike bowler restricted Creek's ability to put pressure on the opposition. Creek will look to 2018/2019 with plenty of optimism.

JUNIOR CRICKET

Annette Costello – Junior Committee Chairperson



*Cricketer of the Year (U14-U18) - Matt Rebus
(Queanbeyan U14 Division 1 & U18 Division 2)*



*Junior Female Cricketer of the Year - Elizabeth
Coper-Jones (TVCC Cup) (WCMCC U14
Division 1)*

As the incoming Chairperson for the 2017/2018 junior cricket season, it was wonderful to see a total of 175 teams take to the fields across Canberra, Queanbeyan, and Cooma.

After being a key pilot association of the Australian Cricket Junior Formats in 2016/2017, the clubs and schools are to be congratulated in adopting the next exciting progression of junior formats this season. The U10s and U11s played under the new Stage 1 rules while the U12s and U13s played under the new Stage 2 rules. The key components of the rules for both stages was for a faster, fun and more inclusive game. The U14s to U18s continued to play two-day cricket but under quarter cricket rules as a means of improving participation opportunities. They also played a separate mid-week T20 competition.

After the successes of the two previous seasons, the 15 Division 1 competition continued turf wickets. The success of this competition has benefited our keen and capable Division 1 players, helping them to appreciate and deal with the nuances of turf pitches as they aspire to play Under 18 Colts and, ultimately, transition into senior-grade cricket.

The Junior Girls Cup U17 Competition became known as the Thunder Junior Girls Cup. While the number of teams did not grow from last season, the Plate competition for Under 13 girls gained momentum with further teams joining this season. The Plate girls played under Stage 1 rules. The shorter pitches, softer ball, smaller boundaries and 20-over games were well-received by both the players and their parents, and it was inspiring to see

so many new female players starting their cricketing journey with such energy and enthusiasm.

Players in competitive divisions also had opportunities to be part of the Emerging Comets or Emerging Meteors programs, which were run through Cricket ACT's High-Performance team, and provided pathway opportunities for talent-identified players seeking selection in representative teams.

Club Champion

The Club Champion and recipient of the Speaker's Shield for season 2017/2018 was Eastlake. The runner-up was Queanbeyan while Tuggeranong finished third.

Cricketer of the Year (U14-U18)

The Cricketer of the Year was Matt Rebus from Queanbeyan U14 Division 1 and U18 Division 2. Matt had an outstanding season with the bat, compiling 668 runs at an average of 44.53. He scored two half-centuries and one century (101no). Matt also took 14 wickets at an average of 17.21. Just as importantly, Matt embodies the spirit of cricket by giving 100% when he trains and plays while always respecting the opposition and the game.

Female Cricketer of the Year

The Junior Female Cricketer of the Year was Elizabeth Coper-Jones. Elizabeth made a huge commitment during the season, leading Tuggeranong to the premiership in the Thunder Junior Girls Cup, playing for Weston Creek Molonglo U14 Division 1 team, where she took a hat-trick and also playing for Tuggeranong Women's team. Overall, in both junior teams, Elizabeth scored 340 runs with a highest score of 67 and took 18 wickets at an average of 9.72 with her leg-spin. She also took an amazing 15 catches, showing her brilliance in the field. Elizabeth's leadership was recognized when she was appointed captain of the ACT U15 team.

Junior Cricketer of the Year (U11-U13)

The Young Cricketer of the Year was Sam Smith from Marist U11 Division 1. Sam scored an amazing 562 runs at an average of 112.40 with a highest score of 76. Given that Sam's matches were all T20's and he is generally restricted to facing a maximum of 17 balls, his strike rate was a staggering 200. With the ball, Sam took 30 wickets at an average of 5.37 and his best bowling performance was 5/7. Sam was also recognised for his love of the game and his willingness to help his teammates.

Encouragement Award

The Encouragement Award was won by Grace Lyons from Weston Creek Molonglo. Grace played in the Thunder Junior Girls Cup and in the U13 Division 1 team. Not only did she score 311 runs with a highest score of 50no but she also captured 3 wickets and took 7 catches and made 5 dismissals as a wicket-keeper. Grace displayed great confidence in performing very well against boys' teams and fine leadership,' which was rewarded by her selection in ACT teams. Grace has the respect of her peers and is always working to support her teammates.

Spirit of Cricket Awards

Four players were recognized for showing the 'spirit of cricket' in their on-field endeavours:

Darashima Green (Norths Under 15 Division 1)

During a Queanbeyan vs. Norths Under 15 T20 match, Queanbeyan took the field with only 10 players including a young lad from our Under 11s. When the Under 11 lads took to the batting crease, Darashima, without prompting or suggestion, delivered the ball from a one-step run-up and bowled the delivery at a very friendly pace. The young batsman had faced 2 deliveries when he skied a catch back to the bowler. Darashima took a step backwards and deliberately let the ball bounce to give the young lad a chance to face a few more deliveries.

Akshay Joseph (Marist U12 Division 1)

During a match near the end of the season, Akshay scored a single to go to what everyone believed was his century. The last wicket fell straight away. Several minutes later, the scorers realised they had made a mistake and that Akshay was actually out for 99. Akshay handled the disappointment with graciousness, humility and continued the game without any further mention. Even with the opposition 'ribbing' him while in the field, he took it all in his stride satisfied that he had done a job for his team.

Elizabeth Coper-Jones (Tuggeranong – Thunder Junior Girls Cup)

On the day of the Thunder Junior Girls Cup final, the coach and manager had prior engagements so Elizabeth stepped up to captain and coach the team. She is to be commended for her leadership, fair and inclusive play, and cool and calm manner in which she led her team. Throughout the season, she has always sought to include and mentor the junior members of her squad.

Bede Cuddihy (Marist U11 and U12)

Bede signed up for his very first season of cricket in 2017/2018 and was graded into the Marist Under 11 Friday Blue team. When other teams were short, Bede was always the first to respond. For example, when one of the U11 Division 1 boys was unavailable during the latter part of the season, Bede volunteered to fill in. The boy later returned, which meant Bede missed out on playing the Grand Final. Despite this, Bede helped the players warm up, threw balls to the batters, ensuring they were ready when it was their turn to bat and generally encouraged the team.

Administration

On behalf of the Junior Council Executive—Ben Ryan, Donna Rousch, Axel Mielens, and myself—I extend our thanks to the delegates and presidents of our junior clubs and schools who, along with the players, coaches, managers, umpires, scorers and supporters, have worked collectively to deliver a successful season of junior cricket in the ACT during 2017/2018.

Thanks also to the Umpires and Scorers Association for appointing Association Umpires to all junior two-day and T20 grand finals—a continuation of the relationship with our officiating colleagues over the last few seasons.

Finally, I wish to acknowledge the work of Ben Ryan, Cricket ACT's competitions manager, and the overarching support and leadership from Cameron French and his committed teams that manage game development and high performance.

INDOOR CRICKET

Cameron Walter – Indoor Cricket Chairperson

The 2017-18 period saw continued success from ACT indoor cricketers on both the national and international stage. Additionally, Cricket ACT game development activity saw the re-introduction and/or strengthening of junior indoor cricket in centres across the region.

The year also saw the retirement of indoor cricket legend Vinesh Bennett, who stepped down from the national and international stage after a highly successful career.

Marie Hart, long-time manager of the ACT Rockets, was a finalist for Outstanding Contribution to Sport at the CBR Sports Awards.

Local Competition

The Indoor Bash continued in 2017, once again contested between indoor centres across two men's grades and one women's grade.

The conclusion of the competition in late 2017 saw Weston narrowly defeat Kambah in both of the men's divisions, while the women's final was an all-Weston affair. By winning all three divisions in the Indoor Bash, Weston maintained its dominance in local competition.

National Indoor Cricket League

Having won the local title in early 2017, the local franchise the Wolves, skippered by ACT and Australia representative Tim Floros, headed to the national finals in Melbourne in September of 2017. Rated as underdogs, the side surprised many and reached the semi-finals stage of the national conference before bowing out to the eventual champions, Wynnum (a side featuring ACT captain, Matt Floros).

National tournaments

ACT Rockets

With a heart-breaking defeat in the previous year's grand final fresh in their memory, the ACT Rockets began the 2017-18 campaign (in Mackay, Queensland) poorly, destroyed by Queensland on their home turf in Mackay in front of a packed house. The Rockets rallied from there, however, and progressed through the remaining round stages with seven wins, one tie (Victoria), and an additional loss to Queensland.

Entering the major semi-final as underdogs, the Rockets put on a masterclass against Queensland and earned the right to be the first in the final. Queensland righted their ship and won the prelim final to set up the third straight final between the ACT and Queensland.

A slow start to the final for the ACT saw Queensland on track for an ominous total, with 53 on the board at the halfway stage. The ACT fightback kept them to 22 in the back half of the innings and left them chasing 75 to regain the national title.

Strong batting throughout the innings saw the ACT get to the final over two runs in front of Queensland, a near identical situation to the 2016 final—a match the Rockets ended up losing. This time, however, the Rockets held their nerve, with Player of the Grand Finale

Brock Winkler securing the win with three balls to spare and handing the Rockets their second title in three years.

Following the grand finale, members of the ACT side enjoyed a myriad of individual honours. Luke Ryan was named the Alan Wilson medallist and Player of the Series, while Tim Floros was named International Indoor Cricketer of the Year.

Matt Floros (as Vice-Captain), Vinesh Bennett, Tim Floros, and Benji Floros were returned to the Australian side for the 2017 Indoor Cricket World Cup in Dubai, and were joined by debutant Luke Ryan, and Assistant Coach Billy Floros. Moreover, Alexander Floros and Tyler Hays were selected for the 21/u Men's Australian team.

Andrew Hall-Villiers—a former ACT Rocket—was named to umpire at the World Cup.



2018 Indoor National Champions - ACT Rockets

Juniors

Once again, five ACT junior sides contested the national titles, this time in Mackay, Queensland. While the sides were unable to repeat their 2016 heroics, a number of individuals enjoyed strong tournaments, positioning the ACT junior's contingent well for successful years ahead.

Masters

The 2017 Masters national tournament took place in Perth, Western Australia and was contested by three ACT sides—the Over 40 Men, the Over 45 Men, and the Over 50 Men.

Once again it was the Over 40 Men's side setting the pace, fielding a side consisting of many former Australian men's players. The side progressed to their third consecutive grand finale against Queensland, this time as strong favourites. Their strong roster and status as favourites couldn't stop a resurgent Queensland, however, who claimed the national title on the last ball of the match against the heart-broken ACT contingent.

At the completion of the tournament, the ACT enjoyed strong representation in the All-Star sides, with Jason Hays, Vinesh Bennett, Nathan Rennie, Billy Floros, Preston Hart (O40) and Chris Henry (O50) all named to sides.

International tournaments

World Cup

A large ACT contingent headed to Dubai for the 2017 Indoor Cricket World Cup, where Australia successfully defended titles in the men's, women's, and 21/u men and women's divisions.

History was made for the ACT during this tournament when all five of our men's representatives took the court in one game against Sri Lanka—a match officiated by ACT umpire Andrew Hall-Villiers.

Matt Floros, Vinesh Bennett, and Benji Floros enjoyed strong tournaments and were named in the "World 8" side at the conclusion of the tournament.

Masters

Following the 2016 Masters national tournament, a number of ACT representatives travelled to New Zealand for a trans-Tasman series against New Zealand in October of 2017.

Jon Harris (O35), Jason Hays, Billy Floros, Brad Morgan, Nathan Rennie (O40), Marty Bennett, Rodney May (O45), Ted Hempstead, and Chris Henry (O50) all formed part of the Australian sides, continuing the traditionally strong representation of ACT players at the national level.

Australia won the Over 40, Over 45, and Over 50 titles during the series.

Acknowledgements

Firstly, on behalf of the Indoor Cricket Committee, I would like to acknowledge the efforts of Chris Griffin from Cricket ACT, whose passion for all forms of cricket, and—perhaps more importantly—its participants, has had an outstanding and positive impact on indoor cricket throughout this year.

I must also acknowledge the hard work and support of the coaches of our representative sides, Matt Paton (14/u girls), Claire Koski (17/u girls), Brad Thomas (13/u boys), Michael Minns (15/u boys), Luke Ryan (17/u boys), Jason Hays (21/u men), Vinesh Bennett (O40 men), Peter Lovett (O45 men), and Ted Hempstead (O50 men) together with all of their managers and assistants. Their phenomenal efforts over many months saw plenty of team and individual success.

The superb support of our world-class centres and their operators has continued throughout this year and is appreciated both by Cricket ACT and all of its participants. So,

to Brenton Brien and Stephen Mogg (and manager Alex Bazzana) at Action Indoor Sports Kambah, Con and Tony Floros at Weston Indoor Sports, and Ben Santosuosso at Kaleen Indoor Sports—together with Mark Spear from Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council and the returning Q-One Indoor Sports in Queanbeyan—my heartfelt thanks and appreciation.

My most important thank you is to Billy Floros and Marie Hart—coach and manager of our ACT Rockets. There are no two people more directly responsible for the success of the Rockets and the subsequent growth indoor cricket has experienced at the representative level than these two. They have turned the Rockets not only into a world-class team, but have also fostered the development of a large number of world-class individuals while they are at it.

I am particularly pleased that Billy was acknowledged with Life Membership at the last AGM, and Marie Hart was recognised as a finalist at the CBR Sports Awards in 2017.

Finally, my time as Chair of Cricket ACT's Indoor Cricket Committee has come to an end. I am confident that my successor as Chair, together with Cricket ACT, will continue to foster the growth of indoor cricket at the social and domestic level as we grow all forms of cricket in the region, and I've no doubt they will continue to support the successes of all our representative sides—headlined of course by the Rockets.

VETERANS CRICKET

Ron Axelby

Over 50s:

The season commenced with an invite to participate in the inaugural NSW Over 50s Club Championships. There were two teams representing the region: Queanbeyan Greybaggers (featuring players from Queanbeyan and Eastlake) and Southern NSW Eagles (featuring players from North Canberra Gungahlin and Goulburn). In all, 8 teams participated with the Southern NSW Eagles defeating Warners Bay Warriors in the final.

This season, the Over 50s competition featured six teams—Canberra Masters, Eastlake Demons, Goulburn Tigers, Northern Eagles Blue, Northern Eagles Gold, and Queanbeyan Greybaggers. At the end of the competition, the top two teams, Northern Eagles Gold and Goulburn Tigers contested the final for the Ron Axelby Shield. In a very keenly contested match, the Northern Eagles Gold team prevailed and secured back-to-back Premierships. This year also saw the introduction of the Ron Bates Shield for the Over 50s Player of the Year, which was awarded to Joe Gunning on the back of another great season.



Ron Bates (left) pictured with inaugural Ron Bates Shield winner Joe Gunning (right)

Representative Matches

The representative season commenced with a Canberra Cavaliers team playing in the NSW Over 50s Carnival in Armidale at the end of October. Despite a number of obstacles, Joe Gunning did a lot of great work behind the scenes to get a team together for the long trip north. Whilst there was not much success on the field, there were some very good individual performances and all those in the team had a great time. Then, thanks to a lot of great work by Gordon McGurk and Joe Gunning, VCACT was able to field a very competitive team in the Australian Over 50s Championships in Sydney, held at the end of November. The ACT Fireballs performed well overall and whilst we only won one match, two other matches went down to the last over. A very good Western Australian team, which defeated the NSW Blues team in the final, eventually won the tournament.

Out of the tournament, an Australian squad was chosen to tour New Zealand. Gordon McGurk and Peter Solway were selected to be part of the touring team. The team arrived in Wellington on 16th February with the series kicking off a couple of days later in Nelson. In game 1, Australia won a very tight match with Peter Solway top-scoring with 66, ably supported by Gordon McGurk. The 2nd match was washed out thanks to the effect of Cyclone Gita. Game 3 was played at Titoki, a few hours north of Auckland. Australia lost the toss and were unfortunately asked to bat first on a wet deck. Peter Solway again topped scored but it wasn't enough as New Zealand went on to win comfortably and the inaugural series was tied 1 all. At the end of the season, another National Over 50s tournament was played in Orange over the Easter weekend. The ACT Fireballs finished 5th in a pretty good performance overall, beating the top Queensland side (who ended up reaching the final) along the way. Gordon McGurk was the best performer with both bat and ball with Boris Teodorowych, Gregg Chambers, and Paul Jelfs also performing well.

Next season

The committee will continue to build on the work already done with the Veterans Competition, which hopefully will see the return of the Creeky Knees team, as well as a couple of new teams, participating. The representative program will begin in October with The ACT Fireballs heading north to participate in the 4th Over 50s Nationals in Brisbane. Out of that tournament, an Australian Over 50s squad will be selected to participate in the inaugural World Cup that will be played late November to early December in Sydney. Other participating countries are England, Wales, Canada, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, and New Zealand.

Over 60s

National Over 60's Championships

2017 saw the VCACT hosting the National Over 60s Cricket Championships. It is the third time that the tournament has been staged in the region with the other two occasions being in 2006 (the inaugural tournament) and in 2010. The 12th National Championships were held from 18th to 23rd November 2017. There were 32 teams from all States and Territories (NT competed for the first time) and New Zealand. These teams were divided into 4 Divisions (8 teams in each Division) over the 4 days of competition. To cater for the increasing number of individuals playing over 60s cricket in the Territory and Capital Region, three VCACT teams were entered for the first time. VCACT was able to secure turf pitches for all matches. This could not have been done without the help of Cricket ACT and the good relationship the Veterans group have with all Grade Clubs. The organising

committee would like to take this opportunity to thank Cameron French, Ben Ryan, and all Club Presidents for their support and assistance in organising such a successful event.

The winners of the various divisions were as follows:

- Division 1 – Victoria 1
- Division 2 – Victoria 3
- Division 3 – Queensland 3 and Victoria 4 (joint winners)
- Division 4 – NSW 5 and Victoria 7 (joint winners)

The 3 VCACT teams performed quite well given the small numbers of over 60s cricketers to draw on in the region. In particular, the Division 1 team performed very well in defeating QLD and WA and if it were not for a number of injuries, the team could well have played in the final. The highlight of the Championships was the dinner that was held at the Woden Southern Cross Club. A total of 500 players and their guests attended the function that was hosted by ABC Sports Presenter, Tim Gavel. This Dinner received very high praise and was regarded as being the best since the inception of the Over 60s National Championships in 2006.

Finally, the organising committee deserves congratulations for all the hard work and effort in making this a hugely successful tournament. The committee, chaired by Ron Axelby, included Bill Rowe, Murray Harrison, Anne Harrison, Asoka Wijeratne, Tony Paterson, Geoff Ledger, Steve Marshall, Ron Bates, James Martin, Denis and Helen Axelby, Ross Calvert, Greg Irvine, Wal Hall, and Jennifer Axelby.

Locally

It was a very long season for a number of players with matches starting from the end of July. A VCACT team headed north to the Sunshine Coast to participate in the inaugural Queensland Over 60s Winter Carnival. Whilst the carnival was all about participation (and for the team, getting away from the cold Canberra winter) the team performed well winning 3 matches and being narrowly defeated in the other match. This season saw the inaugural NSW State Over 60s Championships, which was held in Penrith in October 2017. VCACT were invited to enter a team and it was a successful tournament as the Galaxy's won all their matches.

With no local Over 60s competition at this stage, VCACT has continued to look to Southern NSW for regular games during the 2017/18 cricket season. As has been the case for a number of years, regular home and away games are played against the Southern Highlands, Bega, Eurobodalla, and Port Jackson.

To ensure that VCACT remains competitive against the larger States, efforts are being made to forge a relationship with the Albury/Wodonga Veterans Cricket group in an effort to recruit quality players to represent VCACT at future National Championships. This resulted in a game being played against Albury/Wodonga at Cootamundra in early March this year. It is hoped that this will also become a regular fixture in the over 60s cricket calendar. The season concluded with a trip to Victoria as VCACT again entered a team in the Annual

Echuca Over 60s Carnival held in March. The team performed reasonably well, winning two matches and were narrowly defeated in the other two. Over the course of the season, a number of players performed really well with the bat or the ball or both, particularly Steve

Marshall, Dave Mankey, Ross Calvert, James Martin, Asoka Wijeratne, Murray Harrison, and Tony Paterson. Finally, whilst the VCACT did not have enough over 70s players to enter a stand-alone team at the inaugural National Over 70s Championships in Adelaide, a number of VCACT players were selected to play for NSW, Tasmania, and South Australia. It is hoped that it will not be long before VCACT is able to enter its own team to participate at future Championships.

PRIME MINISTER'S XI

England (139/2) (12.4 overs), Willey 79 (36), Vince (14), Dawson 3-16, Willey, 3-16 defeated Prime Ministers XI 136/8 (20 overs), Handscomb 43 (29), Gotch 22 (22), Swepson 2-33

A stellar performance with both bat and ball from all-rounder David Willey led England to an eight-wicket victory over the Prime Ministers XI at Manuka Oval on February 2, 2018.

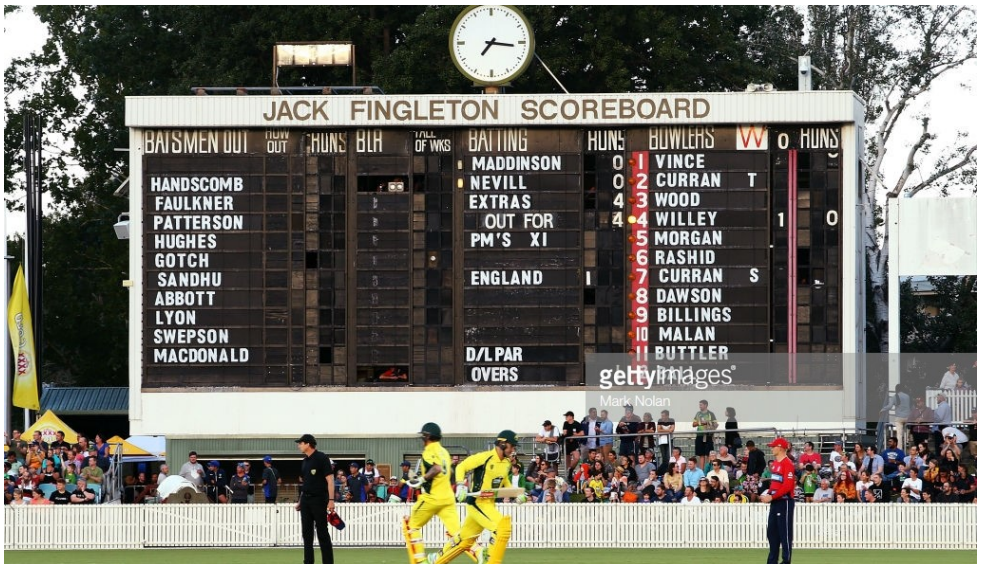
With a crowd of 8778 supporters watching on, England captain Eion Morgan won the toss and elected to bowl.

Prime Minister's XI opening pair of Peter Nevill and Nic Maddinson both fell victim early to Willey, departing for a combined 14 runs. Coming in at number three, Peter Handscomb looked on track for a decent knock before spinner Liam Dawson had him bowled on 43 runs, including seven fours.

Unfortunately, there wasn't much else to savour in the home sides inning, setting the England side a target of just 137 for victory with both Willey and Dawson picking up three wickets apiece.

The English opening pair of Willey and James Vince got the visitors off to a flying start, combining for an 87-run opening partnership. Willey devastated the PM's XI bowlers with his big hitting, smashing six fours and six maximums for his total of 79 runs. Unfortunately for PM's XI Nathan Lyon, five of Willey's sixes came in a single over that went for 34. Willey sent the first five balls of the over flying over the rope, but to the disappointment of the crowd, sliced the final ball through the cover for four.

Willey eventually departed, attempting another big hit that fell just short into the hands of the waiting Mitchell Swepson but that didn't stop England from cruising to an eight-wicket victory with 44 balls to spare.



Teams:

Prime Ministers XI (Playing XI): Nic Maddinson, Peter Handscomb, Kurtis Patterson, Nathan Lyon(c), Seb Gotch, Sean Abbott, Mitchell Swepson, Peter Nevill(w), James Faulkner, Daniel Hughes, and Gurinder Sandhu.

England (Playing XI): David Willey, Dawid Malan, Sam Billings, Liam Dawson, Adil Rashid, Mark Wood, James Vince, Eoin Morgan(c), Jos Buttler(w), Sam Curran, and Tom Curran.

ACT Player Blake Macdonald was the 12th man for the Prime Minister's XI.



The Prime Minister of Australia Malcolm Turnbull with both teams and officials ahead of the PM's XI at Manuka Oval on February 2, 2018/GETTY IMAGES.

SPONSORSHIP

Matthew Phelps – GM – Commercial, Operations, and Competitions

The Chairman, Mr John Miller, the Board of Directors of Cricket ACT, staff and players proudly acknowledge the following ACT Government agencies, Major Sponsors, and Support Sponsors.

Cricket Australia

Cricket ACT wishes to acknowledge the continued generous support from Cricket Australia in providing funding for the continued development of cricket in the ACT.



ACT Government

ACT Government continue to provide funding to Cricket ACT, and special thanks must go to Chief Minister, Andrew Barr and Deputy Chief Minister, Yvette Berry, Ian Hill, Jenny Priest, Matt Elkins, Rebecca Kelley, Wayne Lacey, David Jeffrey, Nathan Greig, and Paul Doak for their assistance in the areas of grants, grounds and, least of all, the Phillip Oval project.



Canberra Toyota

The amazing team at Canberra Toyota have been huge supporters throughout the year. Mirko Milic and Greg Gibbs have proved valuable partners and continue to support Cricket ACT. Cricket ACT is thankful for the ongoing business that our members generate with Canberra Toyota and the ensuing benefit to the Association.

CANBERRA TOYOTA



Abode Hotels

Rien Donkin, Rudy Kalele, Sean Smith, Andrew Sanchez, and the whole team at Abode Hotels have been very supportive of the Abode Hotels ACT Meteors and many of our programs over the year. They have expertly housed our players and support staff ensuring they are prepared for the highest level of training and matches in Canberra.



McDonald's ACT

McDonald's came on board for the 2016/2017 summer as naming rights partner to Premier Cricket in one-day and two-day formats across both women's and men's cricket. They continue to show their genuine interest in the community through the partnership, including the implementation of a community grants program.



Konica Minolta

The long-term support from Nanette Bak and her staff remains a significant part of the Canberra region's cricketing season, particularly with the Konica Minolta Twenty20 Competition. Cricket ACT is truly fortunate to have Konica Minolta on board, having contributed to cricket in the ACT for over 20 years. The continued expansion of the Konica Minolta Twenty20 Cup has been one of the success stories of regional cricket, and we are pleased that Konica Minolta is also a Support Sponsor to the ACT Meteors.



ISC

ISC represents our Official Apparel Partner and have been expertly kitting out our teams for the past 12 months. They continue to supply our ACT Meteors and ACT Comets, as well as our emerging programs, indoor teams, ACTIVE Cricket, and the Cricket ACT staff. For all your cricket apparel needs, please talk to the team at ISC.



The Lord's Taverners

The Lord's Taverners continue to be an incredibly valuable supporter of Cricket ACT. We thank the Committee of The Lord's Taverners for their financial support for developing our young cricketers, particularly with their junior boys' and girls' scholarships. The Lord's Taverners *Spirit of Cricket* award is another example of the many contributions they make to Cricket ACT. They also continue to support the ground-breaking Table Cricket program for people with disabilities. The Invincibles Dinner prior to the Prime Minister's XI event continues to be a part of the event's tradition and was once again an outstanding success.



Kookaburra Sports

Leigh Watts, Noel Moig, and Cameron Eve continue to support Cricket ACT. The annual pre-season junior tournament the Kookaburra Cup during the October school holidays, and their support of junior, women's, and senior cricket through ball and equipment sponsorship make an invaluable contribution to cricket in the ACT.



Canberra Southern Cross Club

The Canberra Southern Cross Club supported Cricket ACT as our Official Event Partner and Tournament Partner for the National Indoor Cricket League (ACT Chapter). The team at Canberra Southern Cross Club provided superb hospitality and venue ambience for our end-of-season gala and a number of events within their venues.



Beyond Bank

Cricket ACT wishes to thank the team at Beyond Bank for their support of Indoor Cricket in the ACT, and in particular Ross Lloyd and Kirsty Abercrombie.



RSM Bird Cameron

Cricket ACT wishes to thank the team at RSM Bird Cameron, and in particular Ged Stenhouse and Emma Molloy, as a sponsor of Cricket ACT.



ACT Academy of Sport (ACTAS)

Cricket ACT developed a beneficial partnership with ACTAS in 2017/18. Cricket ACT senior representative players were provided with strength and conditioning gym access at the ACTAS site at the Australian Institute of Sport. Cricket ACT appreciates the support of ACTAS staff Andrew Stainlay and Stuart Karppinen.



WIN Television

WIN TV continued to provide significant media exposure throughout the season. Thanks go to Sports Presenter Caitlyn Chalmers, as well as associated staff for their tremendous contribution to Cricket ACT.



The Canberra Times

The Canberra Times continues to offer great coverage of cricket in the Territory with regular articles and features on representative cricket, local grade cricket, and the Prime Minister's XI event. A special thank you must go to reporters Caden Helmers, Chris Dutton, Eamonn Tiernan, and David Polkinghorne. Their knowledge and support are greatly valued.



FINANCIAL REPORT

ACT Cricket Association Incorporated

For the year ended 30 June 2018

Committee's report

Your Committee members submit the financial report of the ACT Cricket Association Incorporated for the financial year ended 30 June 2018.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The names of each person who has been a director during the year and to the date of this report are:

John Miller	- Chairman
Gordon Elliott	- Treasurer
Liz Barrington-Smith	- Secretary
Greg Nichols	- Committee Member
Chris Body	- Committee Member
Mark McConnell	- Committee Member
Sean Michelle	- Committee Member
Greg Badcock	- Committee Member

Committee members have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were to provide a high standard of administration, coaching and development opportunities and competitions for cricket in the Australian Capital Territory and surrounding regions with pathways to national participation.

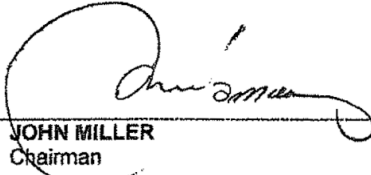
SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

No significant changes in the nature of these activities occurred during the financial year.


OPERATING RESULT

The profit from ordinary activities amounts to \$110,494 (2017: profit of \$31,367).

Signed, in accordance with a resolution, of the members of the committee.



JOHN MILLER
Chairman



GORDON ELLIOTT
Treasurer

Dated this 11th day of September 2018

Treasurer's report

The 2017-2018 financial year has seen ACT Cricket trade in a positive position.

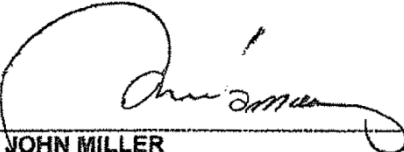
The favourable result was due primarily to tight fiscal controls and careful management of expenses. It should be noted that 2017-18 marked the introduction and residential move to Phillip Oval.

In summary, the audited financial statements disclose the following key results:

- An ACTCA operating profit of \$110,494 and a \$79,127 improvement on the original budgeted position
- The significant revenue items for 2017-18 included Cricket Australia funding of \$2,065,074 and ACT Government funding of \$295,841
- Debtors totalled \$283,680 and non-current assets after depreciation are reported as \$286,501
- The ACTCA has maintained a positive ratio of current assets to current liabilities of a surplus of \$260,412. It should be noted that that the Association reported an increase in its property, plant and equipment following the completion of the fit-out of the training facilities at the new Phillip Oval premises.

Future Trends

The Association monitors its financial performance against the annual budget including automated monthly financial reporting. Tight fiscal controls over operating expenditure are regularly reviewed.



JOHN MILLER
Chairman

Dated this 11th day of September 2018



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF
ACT CRICKET ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED**

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of ACT Cricket Association Incorporated (ACT Cricket), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2018, the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the statement by committee.

In our opinion the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of ACT Cricket Association Incorporated as at 30 June 2018, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the *Associations Incorporation Act (ACT) 1991*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the ACT Cricket Association Incorporated in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Report

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, management is responsible for assessing ACT Cricket's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate ACT Cricket or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf. This description forms part of our auditor's report.



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GED STENHOUSE
Director

Canberra, Australian Capital Territory
Dated: 12 September 2018

Statement of comprehensive income

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
Revenue	3	3,528,658	3,434,694
Employee benefit expense		(1,878,342)	(1,623,528)
Accommodation and travel expense		(201,101)	(214,466)
Depreciation expense		(25,511)	(30,463)
Coach and players expense		(207,683)	(120,130)
Fees paid		(4,083)	(86,028)
Grants paid to clubs		(105,500)	(145,467)
Ground and venue hire		(195,969)	(218,948)
Equipment and hire costs		(85,703)	(88,428)
Match day expenses		(22,274)	(51,506)
Catering expenses		(63,073)	(88,790)
Insurance		(38,697)	(34,061)
Administrative expenses		(334,639)	(275,371)
Motor vehicle expenses		(38,289)	(39,965)
Other expenses	4	(217,300)	(386,176)
		<u>110,494</u>	<u>31,367</u>
Income tax expense		-	-
Net profit after income tax expense		110,494	31,367
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total comprehensive income attributable to the members		<u>110,494</u>	<u>31,367</u>

Statement of financial position

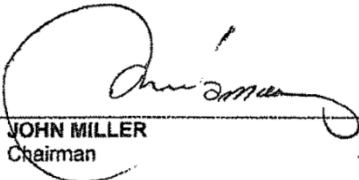
	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	363,871	808,723
Accounts receivable and other debtors	6	283,680	140,824
Other current assets	7	34,966	23,718
Total current assets		682,517	973,265
Non-current assets			
Other financial assets	8	7,310	6,109
Property, plant and equipment	9	279,191	177,421
Total non-current assets		286,501	183,530
Total assets		969,018	1,156,795
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable and other payables	10	313,793	626,065
Employee provisions	11	108,312	112,836
Total current liabilities		422,105	738,901
Non-current liabilities			
Employee provisions	11	35,460	16,935
Total non-current liabilities		35,460	16,935
Total liabilities		457,565	755,836
NET ASSETS		511,453	400,959
MEMBER FUNDS			
Reserves	12	48,900	48,900
Retained surplus		462,553	352,059
Total member funds		511,453	400,959

Statement by members of the committee


In the committees' opinion:

- the attached financial statements and notes comply with the Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements, the Associations Incorporation Act (ACT) 1991;
- the attached financial statements and notes give a true and fair view of ACT Cricket Association's financial position as at 30 June 2018 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
- there are reasonable grounds to believe that ACT Cricket Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

On behalf of the committee



JOHN MILLER
Chairman



GORDON ELLIOTT
Treasurer

AWARDS

High Performance

Bronwyn Calver Medal	Samantha Bates
Peter Solway Medal	Jay Lenton
Billy Floros Medal	Timothy Floros
ACT/NSW Country Comets Batting Award	Jay Lenton
ACT/NSW Country Comets Bowling Award	Nathan McAndrew
ACT Meteors Batting Award	Katie Mack
ACT Meteors Bowling Award	Samantha Bates
Luke Bush Rising Star Award	Tom Engelbrecht
ACT Meteors Rising Star Award	Katie Mack
DJ Richards Medal	Timothy Floros

Premier Cricket

DB Robin Medal	Timothy Floros
SJ Moore Medal	Zoe Cooke
Konica Minolta T20 Player of the Series	Jono Dean
Women's Best Batting Average	Cherie Taylor
Women's Most-Runs	Zoe Cooke
Women's Best Bowling Average	Emma Greenhalgh
Women's Most-Wickets	Emma Greenhalgh

Sarah Hodgson Shield	Cherie Taylor
Premier Cricket Team of the Year	Matt Condon – Western Districts UC
Lorne Lees Medal (Second Grade)	Darren Southwell
Keith Carnall Medal (Third Grade)	Michael Stachow
Dene Moore Medal (Fourth Grade)	Kyhe Ditton
Bill Tickner Medal (Fifth Grade)	Steve Wilde
Club Championship	Tuggeranong Valley Cricket Club
Greg Lord Administrator of the Year	Adelaide Jones – North Canberra Gungahlin
Paul Egan Volunteer of the Year	Gary Molineux
Lord Taverners Spirit of Cricket Award	Weston Creek Molonglo
<i>Konica Minolta T20 Awards</i>	
First Division Premiers	Western District – UC
Second Division Premier	Western District – UC
Third Division Premiers	Queanbeyan
Fourth Division Premiers	Eastlake
<i>Gallop Cup and One Day Competitions</i>	
First Division Premiers	Weston Creek Molonglo
Second Division Premier	ANU
Third Division Premiers	Queanbeyan
Fourth Division Premiers	Queanbeyan
Fifth Division Premiers	Queanbeyan
Sixth Division Premiers	Ginninderra
<i>Douglas Cup and Two Day Competitions</i>	

First Division Premiers	Weston Creek Molonglo
Second Division Premier	ANU
Third Division Premiers	Queanbeyan
Fourth Division Premiers	Queanbeyan
Women's Competitions	
Lynne O'Meara Trophy	Western District – UC
Glenda Hall Shield	Western District – UC



Samantha Bates (left), Jay Lenton (middle) and Zoe Cooke (right). Photography by Doug Dobing.

STATISTICS

Adam Morehouse – ACT Statistician

ACT/NSW Country Comets

Toyota Futures League Statistics 2017-18

Name	Mts	Inn	NO	HS	Runs	Avg	50	100	Ct	St
JJ Avendano	5	10	1	205	425	47.22	1	2	8	-
JD Cook	3	6	-	56	166	27.67	-	1	1	-
TA Copeland	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
JR Dean	1	2	-	46	50	25.00	-	-	-	-
ST Devoy	5	7	2	45	97	19.40	-	-	5	-
TP Engelbrecht	2	3	-	80	180	60.00	-	2	2	-
MR Gilkes	5	9	1	77*	224	28.00	-	2	-	-
AG Harriott	4	7	1	50*	118	19.67	-	1	3	-
HJ Hunt	6	12	1	82	253	23.00	-	1	3	-
JT Kershaw	4	7	1	23	96	16.00	-	-	2	-
NCR Larkin	1	2	1	189	318	318.00	2	-	-	-
JS Lenton	6	11	1	109	538	53.80	2	3	24	4
BD Macdonald	6	11	1	86	316	31.60	-	2	1	-
NJ Maddinson	1	1	-	51	51	51.00	-	1	1	-
NJ McAndrew	4	7	1	44	133	22.17	-	-	3	-
HD Medhurst	2	2	2	21*	21	-	-	-	1	-
TJ Pinson	5	3	2	1*	1	1.00	-	-	2	-

JJ Sangha	3	5	-	30	79	15.80	-	-	2	-
DJ Solway	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
CA Suidgeest	5	2	1	18	32	32.00	-	-	2	-
BJ Taylor	3	5	1	39	82	20.50	-	-	1	-

Name	M	Overs	RunsA	Wkt	Avg	BBowl	5I	10wM	RpO	St/Rt
JD Cook	3	84.4	30	245	10	24.50	4-54	-	-	2.89
TA Copeland	1	40	6	100	3	33.33	2-39	-	-	2.50
ST Devoy	5	151	29	570	14	40.71	4-36	-	-	3.77
TP Engelbrecht	2	38.2	10	131	6	21.83	2-24	-	-	3.42
HJ Hunt	6	4	1	19	0	-	-	-	-	4.75
JT Kershaw	4	111.4	16	435	18	24.17	5-79	1	-	3.90
BD Macdonald	6	3	0	19	0	-	-	-	-	6.33
NJ Maddinson	1	3.5	1	8	1	8.00	1-8	-	-	2.09
NJ McAndrew	4	126	23	462	19	24.32	5-30	2	-	3.67
HD Medhurst	2	61.3	6	265	9	29.44	5-85	1	-	4.31
TJ Pinson	5	127	24	495	13	38.08	2-33	-	-	3.90
JJ Sangha	3	13.2	1	36	2	18.00	1-16	-	-	2.70
CA Suidgeest	5	89	13	399	6	66.50	2-53	-	-	4.48
BJ Taylor	3	29	0	138	0	-	-	-	-	4.76

Match Scores

Round 1 – 16-19 October 2017

ACT/NSW Country 9 dec 461 (NCR Larkin 189, JS Lenton 101, AG Harriott 50no, JR Dean 46, BD Macdonald 32) & 3 dec 244 (NCR Larkin 129no, BD Macdonald 55no, HJ Hunt 33) drew with NSW Metropolitan 9 dec 416 (HD Medhurst 5-85, TJ Pinson 2-88) & 7-242 (ST Devoy 4-76, TA Copeland 2-39) at Manuka Oval.

Round 2 – 6-9 November 2017

Western Australia 6 dec 416 (JT Kershaw 2-62, TJ Pinson 2-68, NJ McAndrew 2-103) & 6 dec 309 (JT Kershaw 2-45, CA Suidgeest 2-53) defeated outright ACT/NSW Country 260 (JS Lenton 76no, JJ Avendano 73, HJ Hunt 28) & 213 (BD Macdonald 42, BJ Taylor 39, NJ McAndrew 30) by 252 runs at Richardson Park, South Perth.

Round 3 – 20-23 November 2017

ACT/NSW Country 198 (JJ Avendano 57, JD Cook 37) & 7 dec 495 (JJ Avendano 205, JS Lenton 97, MR Gilkes 77no, AG Harriott 35, HJ Hunt 33) lost outright to South Australia 303 (JT Kershaw 5-79, ST Devoy 2-73) & 9-391 (JD Cook 2-76, HD Medhurst 2-83, JT Kershaw 2-89) by 1 wicket at Woodville Oval.

Round 5 – 5-8 February 2018

ACT/NSW Country 177 (HJ Hunt 82) & 225 (BD Macdonald 86) lost outright to Tasmania 87 (NJ McAndrew 5-30, JT Kershaw 2-31) & 4-316 (TJ Pinson 2-33) by 6 wickets at Lindisfarne Oval.

Round 6 – 19-22 February 2018

Victoria 172 (NJ McAndrew 3-34, JT Kershaw 3-34, TP Engelbrecht 2-24) & 235 (ST Devoy 4-36, TP Engelbrecht 2-33) lost outright to ACT/NSW Country 401 (TP Engelbrecht 80, JS Lenton 77, MR Gilkes 65, NJ Maddinson 51, JJ Sangha 30) & 0-7 by 10 wickets at Chisholm No.1 Oval.

Round 7 – 5-8 March 2018

ACT/NSW Country 306 (JD Cook 56, TP Engelbrecht 51, ST Devoy 45, NJ McAndrew 44) & 8 dec 383 (JS Lenton 109, TP Engelbrecht 49, JD Cook 35, BD Macdonald 31, ST Devoy 29no, NJ McAndrew 29no, JJ Sangha 28) defeated outright Queensland 250 (NJ McAndrew 5-50, TP Engelbrecht 2-40) & 293 (JD Cook 4-54, NJ McAndrew 2-61, TJ Pinson 2-61) by 146 runs at Chisholm No.1 Oval.

Australian Capital Territory

Kingsgrove Sports T20 Competition 2017-18

Name	Mts	Inn	NO	HS	Runs	Avg	50	100	Ct	St
AC Blizzard	3	3	-	31	36	12.00	-	-	1	-
DMR Bloomfield	3	2	1	1	1	1.00	-	-	1	-

ST Devoy	2	2	-	51	51	25.50	1	-	1	-
BJ Duffy	2	2	1	9	14	14.00	-	-	1	-
TP Engelbrecht	3	3	-	5	11	3.67	-	-	1	-
BC Floros	3	3	-	8	17	5.67	-	-	1	-
HD Medhurst	2	2	-	1	1	0.50	-	-	-	-
CAJ Morris	3	3	1	8*	14	7.00	-	-	2	-
SWR Mum	1	1	-	2	2	2.00	-	-	-	-
M Ninneman	2	2	1	4*	6	6.00	-	-	-	-
JW Rogers	2	2	-	74	100	50.00	1	-	-	-
DJ Solway	4	4	-	51	57	14.25	1	-	-	-
M Spaseski	2	2	-	39	39	19.50	-	-	2	-
CF Spink	4	4	-	17	35	8.75	-	-	-	-
CA Suidgeest	2	2	-	3	3	1.50	-	-	-	-
SR Taylor	2	2	1	46*	78	78.00	-	-	1	-
THO Vane-Tempest	4	4	-	16	34	8.50	-	-	3	1

Name	Ovs	M	RunsA	Wkt	Avg	BBowl	4I	5I	RpO	St/Rt
DMR Bloomfield	3	10	0	53	2	26.50	1-14	-	-	5.30
ST Devoy	2	8	0	47	3	15.67	2-21	-	-	5.88
BJ Duffy	2	6	0	49	3	16.33	2-31	-	-	8.17
TP Engelbrecht	3	10	0	64	6	10.67	3-27	-	-	6.40

BC Floros	3	10	0	80	2	40.00	1-23	-	-	8.00
HD Medhurst	2	5	0	40	0	-	-	-	-	8.00
CAJ Morris	3	8	0	79	3	26.33	2-29	-	-	9.88
SWR Mum	1	1	0	19	0	-	-	-	-	19.00
M Ninneman	2	7	0	48	1	48.00	1-31	-	-	6.86
JW Rogers	2	1	0	11	0	-	-	-	-	11.00
CA Suidgeest	2	4	0	41	2	20.50	2-10	-	-	10.25

Match Scores

Campbelltown-Camden 7-157 (TP Engelbrecht 3-27, CAJ Morris 2-29) defeated Australian Capital Territory 148 (ST Devoy 51, M Spaseski 39, SR Taylor 32) by 9 runs at Manuka Oval on 29th October, 2017.

Australian Capital Territory 126 (DJ Solway 51, SR Taylor 46no) defeated Blacktown 94 (SR Taylor 3-12, CA Suidgeest 2-10, TP Engelbrecht 2-16, ST Devoy 2-21) by 32 runs at Manuka Oval on 29th October, 2017.

Northern District 5-155 defeated Australian Capital Territory 8-127 (JW Rogers 74) by 28 runs at Mark Taylor Oval, Waitara on 19th November, 2017.

Penrith 7-181 (BJ Duffy 2-31) defeated Australian Capital Territory 128 (AC Blizzard 31, JW Rogers 26) by 53 runs at Howell Oval, Penrith on 3rd December, 2017.

Australian Capital Territory Meteors

WNCL Statistics 2017-18

Name	Mts	Inn	NO	HS	Runs	Avg	50	100	Ct	St
SL Bates	6	4	-	6	16	4.00	-	-	3	-
MJ Brown	2	1	-	1	1	1.00	-	-	1	-
EA Burns	6	6	-	57	148	24.67	1	-	4	-
NM Goodwin	2	1	1	2*	2	-	-	-	-	-
NM Hancock	6	4	-	13	22	5.50	-	-	1	-

C Iemma	1	1	1	5*	5	-	-	-	-	-
HNK Jensen	6	5	-	32	91	18.20	-	-	-	-
M Kapp	4	4	1	29	41	13.67	-	-	-	-
E Kershaw	6	5	2	36*	90	30.00	-	-	6	2
CJ Koski	6	6	1	132*	182	36.40	-	1	2	-
EA Leys	1	1	-	16	16	16.00	-	-	1	-
KM Mack	6	6	1	113*	230	46.00	1	1	-	-
EA Osborne	6	6	-	52	159	26.50	1	-	2	-
AR Reakes	6	6	-	46	100	16.67	-	-	4	-
D van Niekerk	2	2	-	63	124	62.00	2	-	1	-

Name	Ovs	M	RunsA	Wkt	Avg	BBowl	4wl	5wl	RpO	St/Rt
SL Bates	6	53.4	6	171	10	17.10	2-15	-	-	3.19
MJ Brown	2	9	0	48	1	48.00	1-19	-	-	5.33
EA Burns	6	21	3	111	2	55.50	2-16	-	-	5.29
NM Goodwin	2	12	0	79	0	-	-	-	-	6.58
NM Hancock	6	32	1	182	4	45.50	2-30	-	-	5.69
HNK Jensen	6	51.3	0	236	7	33.71	5-33	-	1	4.58
M Kapp	4	35	4	121	7	17.29	4-24	1	-	3.46
EA Osborne	6	36	0	168	4	42.00	2-27	-	-	4.67
AR Reakes	6	9	0	61	1	61.00	1-16	-	-	6.78

Match Scores

Australian Capital Territory 203 (D van Niekerk 63) defeated Victoria 7-173 (D van Niekerk 3-31, NM Hancock 2-30) by 30 runs at Manuka Oval on 6th October 2017.

Australian Capital Territory 6-285 (KM Mack 113no, D van Niekerk 61) defeated Queensland 219 (H Jensen 5-33, SL Bates 2-15, D van Niekerk 2-47) by 66 runs at Manuka Oval on 8th October 2017.

New South Wales 7-246 (M Kapp 4-24, SL Bates 2-37) defeated Australian Capital Territory 149 (E Kershaw 36no) by 97 runs at Murdoch University, Perth on 26th November 2017.

Western Australia 237 (SL Bates 2-25, M Kapp 2-37) defeated Australian Capital Territory 214 (EA Osborne 52, EA Burns 37, M Kapp 29) by 23 runs at Murdoch University, Perth on 27th November 2017.

Australian Capital Territory 5-268 (CJ Koski 132no, KM Mack 52, EA Osborne 25) lost to South Australia 5-269 by 5 wickets at Kingston Twin Ovals on 16th February 2018.

Australian Capital Territory 246 (EA Burns 57, AR Reakes 46, KM Mack 36, HNK Jensen 32, EA Osborne 29) defeated Tasmania 160 (EA Burns 3-16, EA Osborne 2-27, SL Bates 2-29) by 86 runs at Kingston Twin Ovals on 18th February 2018.

ACT 1st Grade Leading Statistics

Leading Batsmen (Minimum 300 runs)

Name	Club	Mts	Inn	NO	HS	Runs	Avg	50s	100s
JR Dean	WCM	5	4	-	205	406	101.50	1	2
JW Rogers	WCM	14	14	5	179*	835	92.78	4	2
TL Floros	Tugger	14	14	2	143	532	44.33	2	2
MJ Condon	WDUC	13	14	3	127	486	44.18	-	2
RTT Healy	Ginn	13	13	1	120	528	44.00	4	1
OW Chivers	ANU	14	17	2	123	589	39.27	4	1
M Spaseski	Qbn	14	15	-	125	583	38.87	2	1
R Bartley	Eastlke	9	8	-	86	310	38.75	3	-

EJ Bartlett	WDUC	13	13	1	101	444	37.00	3	1
MI B'ton-Smith	Tugger	11	10	-	90	361	36.10	4	-
SR Taylor	WCM	14	14	1	116	460	35.38	2	1
V Dukoski	Qbn	14	15	1	135	490	35.00	1	2
MD Bennett	WCM	16	18	2	167*	559	34.94	2	1
TJ Henry	Eastlke	15	16	1	96	522	34.80	5	-

Leading Bowlers
(Minimum 20 wickets)

Name	Club	Mts	Ov's	Md	Runs	Wkts	Avg	BBowl	5I	10M	Econ
SWR Murn	ANU	14	108	27	325	22	14.77	6-60	1	-	3.01
TP Engelbrecht	WDUC	11	169.1	28	547	35	15.63	7-79	2	1	3.23
HP Page	Eastlake	15	228.4	49	677	37	18.30	5-24	1	-	2.96
BC Floros	Tugger	11	117.5	12	411	22	18.68	5-25	2	-	3.49
HD Medhurst	WCM	17	196	28	719	36	19.97	5-61	1	-	3.67
ST Devoy	Tugger	12	204	43	552	27	20.44	5-8	1	-	2.71
NJ Wood	Eastlake	15	179.4	33	599	29	20.66	5-43	1	-	3.33
J Corbett	WDUC	14	127.3	19	465	22	21.14	3-14	-	-	3.65
M Spaseski	Qbn	14	153.4	24	570	26	21.92	4-33	-	-	3.71
EJ Bartlett	WDUC	13	140.1	22	483	22	21.95	5-55	1	-	3.45
TJ Van Luin	Qbn	14	167	36	549	25	21.96	4-37	-	-	3.29
BJ Mitchell	ANU	11	186.5	26	550	24	22.92	5-141	1	-	2.94
JM Willcox	Ginn	13	149	30	532	23	23.13	6-34	1	-	3.57

DMR Bloomfield	WCM	15	193.2	33	681	28	24.32	5-66	1	-	3.52
SR Taylor	WCM	14	162.4	32	547	21	26.05	3-14	-	-	3.36

Leading Fielders

Name	Club	Mts	Catches
MJ Condon	WDUC	13	10
JRJ Allen	WCM	13	10
PK O'Malvaney	Eastlake	14	9
SR Taylor	WCM	14	9
TP Engelbrecht	WDUC	11	8
BW Thomas	Ginn	13	8
MJ Taylor-Briscoe	Eastlake	14	8
RW Trickett	WCM	17	8
MJ Delaney	Ginn	10	7
NT Mathai	Eastlake	14	7
EJ Bartlett	WDUC	13	6
JW Rogers	WCM	14	6
JE Myburgh	WCM	16	6

Leading Wicket-Keepers

Name	Club	Mts	Catch	Stump	Total
MK Wakefield	ANU	10	27	4	31
MB Medved	Qbn	14	26	1	27

MD Bennett	WCM	13	21	1	22
TJ Henry	Eastlke	9	14	1	15
THO Vane-Tempest	Tugger	10	13	2	15
DB Faram	Ginn	8	10	-	10
JJD Smith	WDUC	11	6	3	9
OW Chivers	ANU	5	8	-	8
J Watling	Ginn	5	7	1	8
A Taylor	Eastlke	6	8	-	8

John Gallop Cup Leading Statistics

Leading Batsmen (Minimum 150 runs)

Name	Club	Mts	Inn	NO	HS	Runs	Avge	50s	100s
JW Rogers	WCM	7	7	3	95	320	80.00	3	-
OW Chivers	ANU	7	7	2	79*	245	49.00	2	-
DJ Leerdam	ANU	7	7	-	102	327	46.71	2	1
MJ Condon	WDUC	7	6	1	127	233	46.60	-	1
PK O'Malvaney	Eastlke	5	5	-	72	225	45.00	2	-
M Spaseski	Qbn	6	6	-	60	265	44.17	1	-
BR Roweth	Ginn	5	5	1	76	161	40.25	1	-
RW Trickett	WCM	8	7	1	77	238	39.67	2	-
TL Floros	Tugger	7	7	1	105*	226	37.67	1	1

EJ Bartlett	WDUC	6	5	-	80	186	37.20	2	-
SWR Murn	ANU	8	8	3	81*	177	35.40	1	-
HD Medhurst	WCM	8	8	3	52*	167	33.40	1	-
BJ Mitchell	ANU	6	6	-	72	195	32.50	1	-
ST Devoy	Tugger	6	6	1	58*	154	30.80	1	-
A Sharma	Tugger	7	7	-	62	210	30.00	1	-

Leading Bowlers
(Minimum 8 wickets)

Name	Club	Mts	Ov's	Md	Runs	Wkts	Avg	BBowl	4w	5w	Econ
TP Engelbrecht	WDUC	6	50.1	1	185	15	12.33	5-21	-	1	3.69
SWR Murn	ANU	8	48.5	12	145	10	14.50	3-15	-	-	2.97
HD Medhurst	WCM	8	56	4	212	14	15.14	3-33	-	-	3.79
JA Cooke	WDUC	6	24.1	-	125	8	15.62	3-43	-	-	5.17
NJ Wood	Eastlke	6	47.5	6	215	13	16.54	4-26	1	-	4.49
V Dukoski	Qbn	6	54	6	183	11	16.64	3-23	-	-	3.39
BJ Mitchell	ANU	6	59	5	193	11	17.55	3-22	-	-	3.27
J Corbett	WDUC	7	48	6	183	10	18.30	3-14	-	-	3.81
M Spaseski	Qbn	6	50	2	212	11	19.27	4-33	1	-	4.24
ST Devoy	Tugger	6	44	4	157	8	19.62	5-8	-	1	3.57
CAJ Morris	Tugger	7	51.2	5	199	10	19.90	4-40	1	-	3.88
TJ Van Luin	Qbn	6	49.2	2	225	11	20.45	3-27	-	-	4.56

EJ Bartlett	WDUC	6	51.4	3	221	10	22.10	3-29	-	-	4.28
JM Willcox	Ginn	6	53	10	204	9	22.67	2-34	-	-	3.85
HP Page	Eastlke	6	50.4	4	227	10	22.70	3-53	-	-	4.48
BC Floros	Tugger	6	46.3	4	232	10	23.20	5-47	-	1	4.99

Leading Fielders

Name	Club	Mts	Catches
MJ Condon	WDUC	7	6
PK O'Malvaney	Eastlke	5	5
HD Medhurst	WCM	8	5
TP Engelbrecht	WDUC	6	4
CG Taylor	WDUC	7	4
J Boyd	WDUC	7	4
JE Myburgh	WCM	7	4
SWR Murn	ANU	8	4
JRJ Allen	WCM	8	4

Leading Wicket-Keepers

Name	Club	Mts	Catch	Stump	Total
MK Wakefield	ANU	8	20	2	22
MB Medved	Qbn	6	8	1	9
MD Bennett	WCM	5	5	1	6
THO Vane-Tempest	Tugger	5	4	2	6

A Taylor	Eastlke	5	5	-	5
DB Faram	Ginn	6	5	-	5

Konica-Minolta T20 Cup Leading Statistics

Leading Batsmen

(Min 100 runs)

Name	Club	Mts	Inn	NO	HS	Runs	Avg	50s	100s
EJ Bartlett	WDUC	5	5	1	74	231	57.75	2	-
JR Dean	WCM	5	5	1	71*	179	44.75	2	-
MD Bennett	WCM	5	4	1	40	142	47.33	-	-
AJ Heading	Qbn	4	4	-	67	133	33.25	1	-
JW Rogers	WCM	3	3	1	72*	120	60.00	1	-
MJ Condon	WDUC	5	5	-	65	116	23.20	1	-
BS Dean	WCM	5	5	1	32*	100	25.00	-	-

Leading Bowlers

(Min 5 wickets)

Name	Club	Mts	Ov's	Md	Runs	Wkts	Avg	BBowl	4w	5w	Econ
A Lodhi	ANU	3	11	-	42	7	6.00	4-14	1	-	3.82
MA Boak	NCG	3	9	1	51	6	8.50	3-11	-	-	5.67
DA McLean	WCM	5	17.2	1	97	9	10.78	3-16	-	-	5.60
JA Cooke	WDUC	5	15	-	101	9	11.22	5-18	-	1	6.73
MD Solway	Qbn	4	15	-	98	7	14.00	3-19	-	-	6.53

TJ Van Luin	Qbn	4	11	1	88	6	14.67	2-15	-	-	8.00
M Spaseski	Qbn	4	14	-	94	6	15.67	2-12	-	-	6.71
SR Taylor	WCM	5	18.2	-	107	6	17.83	4-15	1	-	5.84
M Ninneman	ANU	4	16	-	92	5	18.40	3-24	-	-	5.75
BJ Duffy	WDUC	5	18	-	120	6	20.00	3-17	-	-	6.67
TP Engelbrecht	WDUC	5	18	-	125	5	25.00	4-21	1	-	6.94

Australian Capital Territory/NSW Country
Australian Under 19 Championships Statistics 2017-18

Name	Mts	Inn	NO	HS	Runs	Avg	50	100	Ct	St
IJ Carlisle	7	1	1	0*	-	-	-	-	-	-
C Dummer	7	7	-	111	270	38.57	-	1	3	-
TP Engelbrecht	6	6	2	71	186	46.50	2	-	-	-
MR Gilkes	7	7	-	83	187	26.71	1	-	9	-
DJ Leerdam	7	7	1	42	135	22.50	-	-	3	-
R Meppem	7	5	1	27	51	12.75	-	-	2	-
JJ Misic	7	4	1	22	51	17.00	-	-	1	-
B Nikitaras	7	7	-	76	145	20.71	1	-	-	-
RJ O'Beirne	7	4	1	11	20	6.67	-	-	2	-
JT Ralston	7	3	2	9*	12	12.00	-	-	2	-
JJ Sangha	7	7	1	87*	284	47.33	3	-	5	-
TJ Scoble	7	4	2	12*	23	11.50	-	-	3	-

SP Skelly	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IJ Carlisle	7	1	1	0*	-	-	-	-	-	-

Name	M	Overs	Mdhs	Runs	Wkts	Ave	BBI	4wl	5wl	RpO
IJ Carlisle	7	47.3	6	178	10	17.80	6-29	-	1	3.75
TP Engelbrecht	6	42	2	188	8	23.50	5-54	-	1	4.48
DJ Leerdam	7	3	0	11	1	11.00	1-11	-	-	3.67
R Meppem	7	43	5	154	5	30.80	3-32	-	-	3.58
RJ O'Beirne	7	28	0	119	3	39.67	2-25	-	-	4.25
JT Ralston	7	34	3	153	9	17.00	4-14	1	-	4.50
JJ Sangha	7	21	0	88	2	44.00	1-1	-	-	4.19
TJ Scoble	7	22	0	84	2	42.00	2-34	-	-	3.82
SP Skelly	7	22	0	131	3	43.67	2-24	-	-	5.95

Match Scores

ACT/NSW Country vs. South Australia – No play at Queenborough Oval, Sandy Bay on 4th December, 2017.

Northern Territory 139 (JT Ralston 4-14, TP Engelbrecht 2-31) lost to ACT/NSW Country 6-141 (JJ Sangha 45, DJ Leerdam 27, MR Gilkes 26) by 4 wickets at Ferguson Park, Pontville on 5th December, 2017.

Victoria Metropolitan 169 (R Meppem 3-32, IJ Carlisle 2-18, RJ O'Beirne 2-25) lost to ACT/NSW Country 4-173 (JJ Sangha 87no, DJ Leerdam 42) by 6 wickets at Invermay Park on 7th December, 2017.

ACT/NSW Country 9-171 (TP Engelbrecht 71, C Dummer 35) defeated Cricket Australia XI 142 (TP Engelbrecht 5-54, JT Ralston 3-31) by 29 runs at NTCA Ground No.1, Launceston on 8th December, 2017.

Tasmania 221 (IJ Carlisle 6-29) lost to ACT/NSW Country 4-224 (JJ Sangha 62, B Nikitaras 47, MR Gilkes 43, C Dummer 28) by 6 wickets at Windsor Park on 10th December, 2017.

ACT/NSW Country 8-208 (B Nikitaras 76, C Dummer 37, R Meppem 27) lost to Western Australia 5-210 (TJ Scoble 2-34) by 5 wickets at Lindisfarne Oval on 12th December, 2017.

ACT/NSW Country 283 (MR Gilkes 83, TP Engelbrecht 50, C Dummer 42) defeated Queensland 252 (JJ Sangha 3-47, JT Ralston 3-62) by 31 runs at Queenborough Oval, Sandy Bay on 13th December, 2017.

ACT/NSW Country 9-260 (C Dummer 111, JJ Sangha 68, TP Engelbrecht 27) lost to Victoria Country 6-261 (SP Skelly 2-24, JT Ralston 2-30) by 4 wickets at Queenborough Oval, Sandy Bay on 15th December, 2017.

Australian Capital Territory/NSW Country

Australian Under 17 Championships Statistics 2017-18

Name	Mts	Inn	NO	HS	Runs	Avg	50	100	Ct	St
J Claridge	8	8	-	81	213	26.62	1	-	7	-
NG Clarke	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
WD Fort	8	8	-	70	318	39.75	4	-	2	-
B Hardy	7	5	1	59	114	28.50	1	-	3	-
M Harper	8	3	1	6*	11	5.50	-	-	3	-
LI Hextell	8	3	2	3*	5	5.00	-	-	2	-
JA Low-McMahon	8	8	-	48	163	20.38	-	-	4	1
D O'Shannessy	8	6	4	15	40	20.00	-	-	1	-
K Phillips	8	7	1	46	137	22.83	-	-	2	-
H Railz	7	7	2	39*	137	27.40	-	-	2	-
J Staines	7	6	2	29	81	20.25	-	-	12	3
R Wikramanayake	8	8	-	32	105	13.12	-	-	5	-
G Winsor	7	7	2	85	209	41.80	1	-	-	-

Name	M	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Ave	BBI	4wl	5wl	RpO
NG Clarke	8	44	0	272	9	30.22	3-39	-	-	6.18
WD Fort	8	27	2	118	0	-	-	-	-	4.37
B Hardy	7	57	7	222	9	24.67	5-33	-	1	3.89

M Harper	8	44	0	266	9	29.56	3-49	-	-	6.05
LI Hextell	8	37.2	0	224	9	24.89	3-49	-	-	6.00
D O'Shannessy	8	46	1	218	16	13.62	4-41	1	-	4.74
K Phillips	8	66	2	255	10	25.50	4-35	1	-	3.86
H Railz	7	10	0	51	1	51.00	1-51	-	-	5.10
G Winsor	7	40.3	3	171	9	19.00	4-30	1	-	4.22

Match Scores

ACT/NSW Country 8-279 (WD Fort 70, K Phillips 43, R Wikramanayake 32, J Staines 29) lost to South Australia 9-280 (W Lovell 6-51, M Watt 3-44) by 1 wicket at Landsborough Oval on 25th September, 2017.

Northern Territory 179 (K Phillips 4-35, D O'Shannessy 2-22) lost to ACT/NSW Country 5-180 (WD Fort 70, K Phillips 36) by 5 wickets at Ron McMullen Oval, Buderim on 26th September, 2017.

Victoria Metropolitan 9-221 (K Phillips 3-30, D O'Shannessy 2-11) lost to ACT/NSW Country 7-223 (J Claridge 46, K Phillips 46, JA Low-McMahon 43, WD Fort 25) by 3 wickets at John Blanck Oval, Maroochydore on 28th September, 2017.

Cricket Australia XI 255 (LI Hextell 3-49, NG Clarke 2-27, K Phillips 2-46) defeated ACT/NSW Country 241 (G Winsor 85, B Hardy 59) by 16 runs at Kerry Emery Oval, Maroochydore on 29th September, 2017.

Tasmania 9-264 (NG Clarke 3-39, M Harper 3-49, D O'Shannessy 2-66) defeated ACT/NSW Country 197 (WD Fort 63, H Railz 39no, J Claridge 36) by 67 runs at Ian Healy Oval, Kalinga on 1st October, 2017.

NSW Metropolitan 233 (D O'Shannessy 4-41, LI Hextell 2-27, NG Clarke 2-76) v ACT/NSW Country 4-51 (L Marshall 3-25) – No result at Ian Healy Oval, Kalinga on 2nd October, 2017.

ACT/NSW Country 9-303 (J Claridge 81, WD Fort 59, G Winsor 41, R Wikramanayake 30) defeated Northern Territory 158 (G Winsor 4-30, D O'Shannessy 3-28, M Harper 2-39) by 145 runs at Fred Kratzman Oval, Wellington Point on 4th October, 2017.

Western Australia 9-248 (B Hardy 5-33, G Winsor 2-46) defeated ACT/NSW Country 9-247 (JA Low-McMahon 48, G Winsor 37, H Railz 32, B Hardy 27no) by 1 run at Brisbane Grammar School Oval, East Brisbane 5th October, 2017.

Australian Capital Territory

SSA Under 15 Championships Statistics 2017-18

Name	Mts	Inn	NO	HS	Runs	Avg	50	100	Ct	St
J Boyd	6	3	1	5	14	7.00	-	-	5	-
A Cowie	6	6	5	63*	144	144.00	1	-	2	-
J Fahey	6	5	-	21	57	11.40	-	-	5	-
E Fitzpatrick	6	6	-	72	159	26.50	1	-	3	-
F Ford	6	6	1	119*	371	74.20	3	1	1	-
O Fox	6	6	1	25*	72	14.40	-	-	-	-
SJ Frost	6	6	-	27	65	10.83	-	-	5	-
A Jones	6	6	-	19	76	12.67	-	-	5	-
B Millynn	6	2	1	4*	4	4.00	-	-	2	-
TS Phelps	6	6	-	25	62	10.33	-	-	1	-
L Reid	6	6	-	29	96	16.00	-	-	-	-
J Strudwick	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R Wunsch	6	6	-	17	26	4.33	-	-	2	-

Name	M	Overs	Md	Runs	Wkts	Avge	BBI	4wl	5wl	RpO
A Cowie	6	34	1	178	4	44.50	2-29	-	-	5.24
J Fahey	6	6	0	46	3	15.33	3-29	-	-	7.67
E Fitzpatrick	6	40	1	236	5	47.20	2-34	-	-	5.90
F Ford	6	37.1	1	200	11	18.18	4-29	1	-	5.38
O Fox	6	14	1	65	4	16.25	2-17	-	-	4.64
SJ Frost	6	10	0	65	2	32.50	1-12	-	-	6.50
A Jones	6	29.4	3	127	2	63.50	1-12	-	-	4.28
B Millynn	6	35	1	172	9	19.11	4-51	1	-	4.91
TS Phelps	6	21	1	139	2	69.50	2-42	-	-	6.62
L Reid	6	2	0	10	0	-	-	-	-	5.00
J Strudwick	6	19	1	70	4	17.50	3-9	-	-	3.68
R Wunsch	6	8.2	0	65	1	65.00	1-0	-	-	7.80

Match Scores

New South Wales Magenta 8-225 (J Fahey 3-29, B Millynn 2-23, TS Phelps 2-42) defeated Australian Capital Territory 217 (E Fitzpatrick 72, F Ford 55) by 8 runs at Kerry Emery Oval on 11th February, 2018.

Australian Capital Territory 184 (F Ford 74) defeated Tasmania 149 (F Ford 4-29, A Cowie 2-29, E Fitzpatrick 2-34) by 35 runs at Ron McMullen Oval on 12th February, 2018.

New South Wales Green 329 (F Ford 3-49, B Millynn 2-37) defeated Australian Capital Territory 147 (L Reid 25) by 182 runs at Kerry Emery Oval on 13th February, 2018.

Northern Territory 241 (B Millynn 4-51, O Fox 2-17) lost to Australian Capital Territory 9-242 (A Cowie 63no, F Ford 32, E Fitzpatrick 27) by 1 wicket at Caloundra No.2 Oval on 15th

February, 2018.

Australian Capital Territory 9-256 (F Ford 119no, E Fitzpatrick 42, L Reid 29) defeated Queensland 3-260 (F Ford 2-39) by 7 wickets at Kerry Emery Oval on 16th February, 2018.

Australian Capital Territory 7-232 (F Ford 84, A Cowie 30no, SJ Frost 27, O Fox 25no, TS Phelps 25) defeated Victoria Country 202 (J Strudwick 3-9, O Fox 2-19, F Ford 2-36) by 30 runs at Brisbane Grammar School No.1 Oval on 18th February, 2018.

Australian Capital Territory/NSW Country

Australian Under 18 Women's Championships Statistics 2016-17

Name	Mts	Inn	NO	HS	Runs	Avg	50	100	Ct	St
K Beaumont	10	6	2	23	60	15.00	-	-	3	-
M Carr	10	4	1	16	38	12.67	-	-	-	-
E Dalgarno-Fixter	10	2	1	4*	7	7.00	-	-	5	-
N Gibson	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
A Handono	10	9	-	42	95	10.56	-	-	4	-
E Hughes	10	2	2	3*	5	-	-	-	-	-
C Lennon	10	3	1	8*	11	5.50	-	-	5	-
M Lugg	10	7	3	74	187	46.75	1	-	10	4
C Murray	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
L Tassell	10	5	1	12	26	6.50	-	-	1	-
AC Taylor	10	3	1	17*	21	11.50	-	-	1	-
R Trenaman	10	9	3	64*	212	35.33	1	-	1	-
T Wilson	10	9	2	72	284	40.57	3	-	1	-

N Woods	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
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Name	M	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Ave	BBI	4wl	5wl	RpO
K Beaumont	10	27.4	3	129	8	16.12	4-6	1	-	4.66
M Carr	10	2	0	18	0	-	-	-	-	9.00
E Dalgarno-Fixter	10	37	4	127	15	8.47	5-13	-	1	3.43
N Gibson	7	18.4	3	42	3	14.00	1-2	-	-	2.25
E Hughes	10	25.1	4	73	1	73.00	1-22	-	-	2.90
C Lennon	10	14.2	1	66	6	11.00	3-6	-	-	4.60
C Murray	9	2	0	14	0	-	-	-	-	7.00
L Tassell	10	5.1	0	34	2	17.00	1-9	-	-	6.58
AC Taylor	10	40	5	145	12	12.08	4-13	1	-	3.62
R Trenaman	10	14	1	71	6	11.83	3-11	-	-	5.07
N Woods	10	12	0	65	1	65.00	1-17	-	-	5.42

Match Scores

ACT/NSW Country v Queensland – No play at ANU North Oval, Turner on 27th November, 2017.

ACT/NSW Country 6-85 lost to NSW Metropolitan 4-89 (AC Taylor 2-19) by 6 wickets at Jamison Oval, Macquarie on 27th November, 2017.

ACT/NSW Country 2-141 (R Trenaman 64no, M Lugg 28no) defeated Cricket Australia XI 5-120 (K Beaumont 2-29) by 21 runs at ANU North Oval, Turner on 28th November, 2017.

ACT/NSW Country 6-136 (T Wilson 64, R Trenaman 34) defeated South Australia 102 (C Lennon 3-6, E Dalgarno-Fixter 2-9, AC Taylor 2-21) by 34 runs at Kingston Oval on 28th November, 2017.

Western Australia 7-79 (R Trenaman 2-2) lost to ACT/NSW Country 1-81 (A Handono 42, T Wilson 25no) by 9 wickets at Freebody No.1 Oval, Queanbeyan on 30th November, 2017.

Tasmania 9-72 (AC Taylor 4-13, R Trenaman 3-11) lost to ACT/NSW Country 1-73 (T Wilson 30no) by 9 wickets at Neil Bulger Oval, Queanbeyan on 30th November, 2017.

ACT/NSW Country 5-116 (R Trenaman 41, M Lugg 39) defeated Victoria 7-91 (K Beaumont 4-6) by 25 runs at Freebody No.1 Oval, Queanbeyan on 1st December, 2017.

ACT/NSW Country 3-131 (T Wilson 72, R Trenaman 25) defeated NSW Metropolitan 1-100 by 31 runs at Chisholm No.1 Oval on 1st December, 2017.

ACT/NSW Country v NSW Metropolitan – No play at Jamison Oval, Macquarie on 3rd December, 2017.

Queensland 5-31 (C Lennon 2-1, E Dalgarno-Fixter 2-8) v ACT/NSW Country did not bat – No result at Forestry Oval, Yarralumla on 4th December, 2017.

ACT/NSW Country 9-239 (M Lugg 74, T Wilson 71) defeated South Australia 40 (E Dalgarno-Fixter 5-13, AC Taylor 3-0) by 199 runs at Kingston Oval on 6th December, 2017.

NSW Metropolitan 84 (E Dalgarno-Fixter 4-21) lost to ACT/NSW Country 9-86 by 1 wicket at Kippax No.1 Oval, Holt on 7th December, 2017.

Australian Capital Territory/NSW Country

Australian Under 15 Women's Championships Statistics 2017-18

Name	Mts	Inn	NO	HS	Runs	Avg	50	100	Ct	St
DJ Baker	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
J Bassett	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
KR Burton	6	4	-	60	149	37.25	1	-	2	2

J Davidson	6	4	1	12	39	13.00	-	-	-	-
GJ Dignam	6	5	2	55	166	55.33	1	-	12	-
H Faux	6	3	1	64*	104	52.00	1	-	1	-
H Green	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
I Greig	6	3	1	28*	53	26.50	-	-	1	-
P Litchfield	6	6	3	53	133	44.33	1	-	3	-
M McGuigan	6	1	1	2*	2	-	-	-	2	-
G Parsons	6	1	-	6	6	6.00	-	-	3	-
SO Shelley	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C Webber	6	3	3	12*	14	-	-	-	-	-

Name	M	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Ave	BBI	4wl	5wl	RpO
DJ Baker	6	26	6	79	4	19.75	3-20	-	-	3.04
J Bassett	6	11	1	46	3	15.33	2-6	-	-	4.18
J Davidson	6	20	3	62	3	20.67	2-6	-	-	3.10
GJ Dignam	6	18.1	5	41	6	6.83	2-5	-	-	2.26
H Faux	6	14.3	2	45	7	6.43	3-7	-	-	3.10
H Green	6	21	2	68	9	7.56	6-22	-	1	3.24
I Greig	6	19	5	44	6	7.33	5-9	-	1	2.32
M McGuigan	6	11	2	23	4	5.75	2-3	-	-	2.09

G Parsons	6	4	0	28	1	28.00	1-9	-	-	7.00
SO Shelley	6	16.3	2	45	4	11.25	2-3	-	-	2.73
C Webber	6	6	0	26	3	8.67	2-6	-	-	4.33

Match Scores

ACT/NSW Country 5-214 (H Faux 64no, KR Burton 60, GJ Dignam 31) defeated Victoria Country 60 (SO Shelley 2-3, C Webber 2-6, J Davidson 2-6) by 154 runs at Glandore Oval on 17th January, 2018.

Queensland 7-78 (DJ Baker 3-20) lost to ACT/NSW Country 1-92 (GJ Dignam 43no, KR Burton 29) by 9 wickets (DLS) at Scotch College on 18th January, 2018.

South Australia 68 (I Greig 5-9, J Bassett 2-6, H Faux 2-9) lost to ACT/NSW Country 1-53 (P Litchfield 26no) by 15 runs (DLS) at Rostrevor College on 19th January, 2018.

ACT/NSW Country v Tasmania – No play at Rostrevor College on 19th January, 2018.

ACT/NSW Country 5-150 (P Litchfield 53, H Faux 31) defeated Western Australia 40 (H Faux 3-7, GJ Dignam 2-8) by 110 runs at Prospect Oval on 21st January, 2018.

ACT/NSW Country 8-103 (P Litchfield 48) defeated Victoria Metropolitan 7-71 (I Greig 2-5) by 32 runs at Prospect Oval on 21st January, 2018.

NSW Metropolitan 193 (GJ Dignam 2-5, H Green 2-28) lost to ACT/NSW Country 5-194 (GJ Dignam 55, P Litchfield 42, I Greig 28no) by 5 wickets at Price Memorial Oval on 22nd January, 2018.

South Australia 87 (H Green 6-22, M McGuigan 2-3) lost to ACT/NSW Country 1-88 (KR Burton 36, GJ Dignam 30no) by 9 wickets at Glenelg Oval on 23rd January, 2018.

Konica Minolta Twenty20 Final

Final – 22nd October 2017

Weston Creek Molonglo 3-196 (JW Rogers 72no, SR Taylor 42, MD Bennett 37no, JR Dean 27) lost to Western District-UC 2-197 (EJ Bartlett 74, MJ Condon 65, CG Taylor 25no, DA McLean 2-16) by 8 wickets at Manuka Oval.

John Gallop Cup Semi-Finals

26th November 2017

Weston Creek Molonglo 242 (JW Rogers 95, RW Trickett 67, HD Medhurst 30no, BC Floros 5-47, CAJ Morris 3-34) defeated Tuggeranong Valley 223 (MA Rogers 67, THO Vane-Tempest 35, L Ayers 25, SR Taylor 3-40, HD Medhurst 2-34, DMR Bloomfield 2-39) by 19 runs at Stirling Oval.

ANU 7-242 (DJ Leerdam 58, CF Spink 51, BJ Mitchell 49, AC Blizzard 45, TP Engelbrecht 2-44, JA Cooke 2-46, EJ Bartlett 2-61) defeated Western District-UC 204 (EJ Bartlett 80, MJ Condon 30, J Boyd 25, M Ninneman 3-29, BJ Mitchell 3-43, S Groenewegen 3-46) by 38 runs at Jamison Oval, Macquarie.

John Gallop Cup Final

17th December 2017

ANU 9-225 (DJ Leerdam 98, SWR Murn 42, HD Medhurst 3-57, BS Dean 2-40, DMR Bloomfield 2-45) lost to Weston Creek Molonglo 6-226 (MD Bennett 70, HD Medhurst 52no, JW Rogers 36, SR Taylor 28, CK Herath 3-30, BJ Mitchell 2-39) by 4 wickets at Stirling Oval.

Douglas Cup Competition Semi-Finals

9-11th March 2018

Weston Creek Molonglo 9 dec 668 (BS Dean 291, JR Dean 205, SR Taylor 63, JW Rogers 42, GD Gillespie 4-104, M Spaseski 2-85, TJ van Luin 2-88) defeated Queanbeyan did not bat on the first innings at Stirling Oval.

Eastlake 260 (TJ Henry 82, AJ Tett 40, NJ Wood 27, FR McGurk 3-55, HR Axelby 3-65, SM Murphy 2-46) defeated North Canberra-Gungahlin 132 (JA Low-McMahon 61, SM Murphy 27no, AD Meere 3-13, PG Mathai 3-51, H Page 2-26) on the first innings at Kippax No.1 Oval, Holt.

Douglas Cup Competition Final

16-18th March 2018

Eastlake 290 (RJ Bartley 86, NT Mathai 64, AJ Tett 37no, MJ Taylor-Briscoe 36, HD Medhurst 4-63, LJ Evans 2-37, DMR Bloomfield 2-67) lost to Weston Creek Molonglo 4-430 (MD Bennett 167no, SR Taylor 82no, JR Dean 66, RW Trickett 39, JE Myburgh 39, JW Rogers 25, H Page 2-105) on the first innings at Chisholm No.1 Oval.

Glenda Hall Shield Final

10th February 2018

Weston Creek Molonglo 9-81 (C Levings 33no, A Clark 2-10, AE Wells 2-19, E Greenhalgh 2-19) lost to Western District-UC 1-83 (Z Cooke 47no) by 9 wickets at Manuka Oval.

Lynne O'Meara Cup Final

Final – 18th March 2018

Tuggeranong Valley 154 (M Mayoh 37, M Woodberry 37, AE Wells 3-19, L Woods 3-25, ZEA Cooke 2-18) lost to Western District-UC 5-155 (Z Cooke 98, V King 4-38) by 5 wickets at Jamison Oval, Macquarie.

Match Summaries

England Women Tour of Australia

England 6-152 (NC Sciver 40, KH Brunt 32no, SJ Taylor 30, ML Schutt 2-16) defeated Australia 112 (JL Gunn 4-13, KH Brunt 2-10, S Ecclestone 2-24) by 40 runs at Manuka Oval on 19th November 2017.

Australia 2-178 (BL Mooney 117no) lost to England 6-181 (DN Wyatt 100, HC Knight 51, JL Jonassen 2-25, DM Kimmince 2-30) by 8 wickets at Manuka Oval on 21st November 2017.

Women's Test Warm Up

Australia 8 dec 272 (BL Mooney 118, EA Perry 58, HNK Jensen 5-26) & 9 dec 287 (EJ Villani 70, AJ Blackwell 45, NE Bolton 38, AJ Healy 27, RL Haynes 25, TM McGrath 3-8, EA Osborne 2-33) drew with ACT Invitation XI 7 dec 285 (AR Reakes 103no, M Kapp 61no, TM McGrath 30, EA Perry 2-45) & 3-68 (M Schutt 2-9) at Manuka Oval on 3-5th November, 2017 (Day/Night).

Honours List

Australia (Test)

Former ACT Cricketer Nathan Lyon played Test cricket for Australia during 2017/18.

Australia (ODI)

Former ACT Cricketer Nathan Lyon played ODI cricket for Australia during 2017/18.

Papua New Guinea (ODI)

Former ACT Cricketers Asad Vala and Jack Vare played ODI cricket for Papua New Guinea in 2017/18.

First-Class Cricketers

Jason Behrendorff (WA), Jason Floros (Qld), Nathan Lyon (NSW), Tom Rogers (Tas), Alex Ross (SA), and Nick Winter (SA) played first-class cricket this season.

Domestic One Day Cricketers

Jason Behrendorff (WA), Jason Floros (Qld), Nathan Lyon (NSW), Tom Rogers (Tas), Alex Ross (SA), Nick Winter (SA), and Mac Wright (CA XI) played Domestic One-Day Cricket this season.

First-Class Debuts

Tom Rogers (Tasmania)

Nick Winter (South Australia)

Domestic One Day Debuts

Tom Rogers (Tasmania)

Mac Wright (CA XI)

Domestic Twenty20 Cricket Debuts

Tom Rogers (Hobart Hurricanes)

Prime Minister's XI

Blake Macdonald was named as the 12th man for the Prime Minister's XI.

ACT Milestones

John Rogers reached 50 matches for the ACT this past season.

ACT Meteors Debuts

Six players made their debuts for the ACT Meteors this past season

119. Erin Burns

120. Hayley Jensen

121. Marizanne Kapp

122. Erica Kershaw

123. Dane van Niekerk

124. Clara lemma

ACT/NSW Country Comets Debuts

Ten players made their debuts for the ACT Comets in Futures League Matches

165. Trent Copeland

166. Nick Larkin

167. Jay Lenton

168. Tom Pinson

169. Justin Avendano

170. Joe Kershaw

171. Jonathan Cook

172. Jason Sangha

173. Tom Engelbrecht

174. Nic Maddinson

THE OFFICIALS

The ACT Cricket Association was established in 1922 and has had many officials since that time.

The following lists identify those who have held positions since management of the Association came under a Board of Management in June 1990. A complete list of officials since the establishment of the Association may be seen on the Association's website, www.cricketact.com.au. The Annual Report for the 2008–2009 season provides a complete list up to that season.

President

1983/84– 2008/09 JF Gallop AM

2009/10–2010/11 IE McNamee

Note: the office of President was abolished as the result of the adoption of an amended Constitution in September 2011.

Chairman of the Board

1986/87–1993/94 NC Yeend

1993/94–1995/96 GC Evans

1996/97–1999/00 JB Bowdler

2000/01–2009/10 JA Turner

2010/11–2015/16 IE McNamee

2016/17 - JR Miller

Secretary

1983/84–1995/96 RM Hickman

1996/97 AJ Casey

1997/98 GL Willard

1998/99–Sept 2014	BG Dockrill
Sept 2014 -	L Barrington-Smith

Treasurer

1985/86–1991/92	DRG Gould
1992/93–1997/98	JL Mann
1998/99–1999/00	GG Pryor
2000/01–March 2014	BG Mewett
March 2014 -	GA Elliott

Chief Executive

1990/91–1996/97	WR Boardman
1997/98–2001/02	GW Goodman
2001/02– May 2015	M Vergano
May 2015–	C D French

Life Members

Forty people have been honoured over the years with Life Membership by the ACT Cricket Association. A complete list may be seen on the Association's website, www.cricketact.com.au

A complete list up to 2009, including deceased Life Members, is also included in the Annual Report for the 2008–2009 season. Those awarded Life Membership who are still living are:

WE McDonalds	1985
AJ Casey	1987
NC Yeend	1994
RM Hickman	1999
IE McNamee	2000
VA Cristofani	2002
J Harvey AM	2003
WS Ruse	2004
JB Bowdler	2005
C Body	2006
CB Hassall	2008
JA Turner AM	2009
BG Dockrill	2010
R Hatch	2011
L Howe	2012
BG Mewett	2012
G Irvine	2013
P Solway	2013
JI Meszes	2014
MW Radcliffe	2014

The Association also recognises the Life Memberships awarded by the ACT Women's Cricket Association by the ACT Cricket Umpires Association. The surviving recipient of Life Membership from the ACT Women's Cricket Associations is B Hall and the surviving recipients of Life Membership from the ACT Cricket Umpires Association are B Climas and BF Lawrence.

C Brown	2016
J Cope	2016
M Vergano	2017
W Floros	2017

ASSOCIATION STAFF

Chief Executive Officer	Cameron French
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Communications and Events Manager	Sarah Browne
Head Curator	Brad Van Dam
ACT Comets Coach	Kyle Piper
ACT Meteors Coach	James Allsopp
Active Cricket and Pathway Manager	David Drew
Finance and Business Operations Officer	Belinda Hotere
Competitions Manager	Ben Ryan
Player Development Manager	Christine Higgisson
ACT Head Coach	Kyle Piper
Indoor Cricket, Tournaments and Active Cricket Manager	Chris Griffin
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