

smart stumpings. He had to keep to some very wild deliveries and some very jumpy ones. With the bat, Doug made some great runs, his best score being 29 n.o. Doug is a great team player, opening for us in some tough situations. His innings against Caringbah sticks in my mind, a display of genuine courage. Doug can also bowl a bit, given a chance, he got a wicket. I hope Doug keeps up his enthusiasm for cricket - he is a genuine all rounder.

TIM CUTLER: Tim opened the batting for us every week. He faced the toughest bowlers, nearly always of rep. class who were not too worried what they hit with the ball. He may not have scored the runs he wanted, but he got us away to many solid starts and showed plenty of courage in the process. I'm sure the runs will flow again in the future. With the ball, Tim was our top bowler taking 16 wickets with some very classy spin. He consistently took wickets, can bowl very tightly and as well, can produce deliveries that verge on unplayable. I hope he backs up as keen as ever next year.

BRETT ERSKINE: Brett showed great enthusiasm in everything he did this year and gave his best shot to everything he tried. When batting, Brett was game enough to have a go at anything - it was great to see him get his top score in cricket at the end of the year. A great innings with some big hits. Brett also bowled some great overs for us adding variety to our attack and taking some vital wickets. In the field, Brett took some great catches and chased everything that came near him, flat out. I hope he learned a bit this year and uses it to his advantage in the future.

ANDREW HINE: Andrew handled the step into 14's in convincing fashion. He batted at the top of the order and succeeded against some fierce bowling attacks. He played several classy and determined innings showing all the shots and plenty of courage. Andrew's best score was 40 n.o. With the ball, Andrew showed he can get wickets when given the opportunity. He often got the important breakthrough for us when things were tough. Andrew is also a top class fieldsman, great

reflexes in close and safe hands in the outfield. A couple of his close in catches were as good as you'd see anywhere. Andrew represented Sutherland in the Gee Shield this year.

LUKE McNEE: Luke, with very sound defence, was a steady influence on our batting this year. He faced most of the top bowlers in the grade and always seemed capable of building an innings. He did this in some tight situations and showed plenty of class as usual. His top score was a fighting 38 against Miranda. As captain, Luke didn't bowl himself much this year, but snared a few wickets anyway. Luke's experience showed in the field where he took some good catches and could always be relied upon to stop the hard ones hit anywhere near him. He did a good job as captain under tough circumstances.

BRAD MORELAND: Brad was the "youngster" of our team. Playing 14A's when you're still a long way short of 13 is a great achievement in itself. When batting, Brad showed plenty of courage and ability being confronted with the topline bowling he faced in this grade. His arrival at the crease always meant the scoring rate would jump. He played some great innings for us, middling the ball well and hitting with plenty of power. Brad is also an excellent fieldsman, particularly in slips, where he took some great catches. He didn't get many chances to bowl this year, but I've seen him toss down a few good ones in that department too. I hope Brad is keen enough to front up next season for a bigger slice of the action.

MATTHEW WACKWITZ: Matthew opened the bowling in most of our matches this year. He relished the opportunity to hurl the shiny red ball at opposing batsmen and did so with plenty of fire and sheer speed. His pace set many a highly regarded batsman back on his heels. Matt. finished equal second in the wicket taking department with 10 victims. When batting, Matt. would sometimes play a classic defensive shot just to prove he could do it, but looked much more comfortable "having a go". Some of his shots looked like they'd leave town except for fences etc. I hope Matt. sticks with cricket. If

everything clicks, he could be a devastating bowling force.

SPENCER WHITE: Spencer had a great season for our team amassing 217 runs to become our top run scorer. Towards the end of the season, it was apparent that Spencer had the ability to take on any attack, some very good bowlers had their best hit to the boundary courtesy of Spencer's great eye and powerful stroke play. His last up innings of 70 against Como was a joy to see. With the ball, Spencer was again a major force, great line and length as usual, fast and with plenty of bounce, he was persistently hard to score from. In the field, Spencer has an arm that I doubt could be matched by anyone in his age group. Spencer has definitely established himself as a true all rounder. Next season could see him handle any class of junior cricket.

TROY SELVAGE: Troy had a tough, but successful season in his 1st year in 14's. His ability to fight for his wicket, as well as play some fine shots, brought more than the odd comment from opposing coaches. His effort against the best bowlers in the grade on a bouncy Solander wicket and his two not-outs in the one morning against Illawong, were stand outs. With the ball, Troy took some fine scalps, many of his victims losing their castle. In the field, Troy has great anticipation, he always backs up and the left arm is reliable as ever. He finished equal second in wicket taking, with the best bowling average. He also finished fifth amongst the run getters. Troy represented Sutherland in the Gee Shield this year. Troy's ambition is to be captain, so he can bully Spencer, Matt Wackwitz and Peter Bourke all at the same time.

STEVE SELVAGE
Manager

14D TEAM REPORT

AWARD WINNERS -	ALL ROUNDER:	SHAUN WARREN
	BATTING:	LUKE STEVENS
	BOWLING:	JOSHUA JACKSON
	FIELDING:	MICHAEL McCARTHY
	COACH'S:	CHRIS COLEMAN

The 14D's missed a final berth by a single point. Two disappointing losses in the second part of the season and some good luck by our closest rivals denied us a place in the deciding match by the narrowest of margins.

Nevertheless, the players could be pleased with their season. All showed improvement and above all, enjoyed their cricket. The 14D's spent their time off the field analysing the game and planning what would happen next, thus getting the maximum out of the delightfully uncertain game of cricket.

Everyone had his moment of glory, which helped make the season an enjoyable one.

The players:

TIM BROWN: A great team player who always put the team first. His five catches indicated his efforts in the field.

CHRIS COLEMAN: Had an excellent season with the ball taking ten wickets. In several games, he was our most penetrating bowler.

MICHAEL DALY: Our wicketkeeper, whose enthusiasm helped make our fielding keen. A hard hitting lower order batsman, who also turned in some economical efforts with his slow bowling.

KEVIN ISAAC: Had a good season with both bat and ball as well as being a strong fielder. Figured in some good partnerships, with his 34 being a highlight of the season.

JOSH JACKSON: New to the club this year, Josh bowled with a big heart to be our leading wicket taker. Scored 118 runs as a higher order batsman.

MICHAEL MCCARTHY: A consistent player who was strong in the field and who turned in some very economical bowling efforts.

SHAUN WARREN: His 53 was our highest score and saw him as our leading run getter with 17 runs. Shaun also took on a lot of our bowling.

LUKE STEVENS: Luke was the sheet anchor of our batting with some very solid knocks when we needed them. Luke opened our bowling and was regarded as one of the strongest bowlers in the competition.

TIM WESTON: Tim showed great enthusiasm in captaining the side well. His interest was reflected by the team. As the season progressed, Tim put in some sound bowling spells.

DAVID DUFFIELD: "Duff" had a good all round season, getting some runs, bowling well and picking up some catches. His close-in fielding often drew praise from our opponents.

DAVID KAYE: New to cricket this year, David was always strong in the field. Who will forget his catch on the boundary which turned the tide in the game against Bosco? His batting was showing results at the end of the season.

MATTHEW MANNS: A good all rounder whose season was delayed through injury. Matt. scored a 48, took some wickets and some great catches, and displayed very strong fielding.

The Management: Coaches - PAT WESTON and MIKE ISAAC spent their time working out what to do with the players on the field. Managers - LAWRIE DALY and TERRY DUFFIELD spent their time off the field wondering if what was being done on the field would pay off.

LAWRIE DALY
Manager

14E TEAM REPORT

AWARD WINNERS - ALL ROUNDER: DANIEL FILETTI
BATTING: NATHAN ALTERATOR
BOWLING: KANE JOHNSON
FIELDING: GEOFF SCOTT
COACH'S: LUKE RADFORD

On the scoreboard, the team won five of the ten games contested and came within a total of ten runs of winning another two. Success in cricket though is not measured purely on results and in the camaraderie department, this team excelled. They were a credit to the club in all respects and should be proud of their achievement both on and off the field.

The team started off with two good wins in a row, founded on good bowling, energetic fielding and determined batting. After a good first week in the third game when we recorded our highest total for the season, the clouds descended on the ground as well as the team and we were not to taste victory again until the second round. From there, we again put together another two wins to go into the Christmas break in second place. An outright loss to Gynea and a thrilling one run defeat by Como Jannali saw us plummet from finals contention, but a great team effort in the final game ended the season deservedly on a winning note.

Batting was always going to be our Achilles Heel and too many times it was left up to the two most experienced players to drag us from the jaws of defeat. Both players suffered from this pressure throughout the season and I would certainly like to see future lower grade teams selected more along the lines of balance rather than individual ability.

Bowling was definitely our strong point with only one team scoring over 150. A number of the boys were playing their first season and it was great to see the sundries dropping and the individual wicket tallies increasing as their experience grew. Fielding regularly fluctuated between brilliant and ordinary (some-
times in the same over), but gradually improved as the

season progressed to culminate in an awesome performance as we accounted for Sports in the last round.

Cricket is indeed a game of ironies. We can point to the fact that we not only beat the minor premiers once but twice, but surrendered easily to lesser sides. Like all cricket teams since the game began, we were at the mercy of the weather. It stepped in to prevent an outright win in the first round, but stood idly by watching us surrender outright points to Gynea.

A team is only as good as its Manager and in Brian, we certainly had a good one. Ignorant of most aspects of the game and its scoring techniques at the start of the season, he was soon indoctrinated and gave 110% effort. He took over training when the coach's train was late and sold raffle tickets with great skill. Thanks Brian. To Norman, Ian and Ron, thanks for scoring, putting out the flags and clapping when no one else did. Little things like that help a great deal. To the rest of the parents, thank you for your support and attendance at the games. The boys may not say much, but just seeing Mum or Dad watching gives them just as much a thrill as scoring a hundred.

To the boys, thank you all for the way you played the game and put up with a grumpy coach, who told you to do five things at once. I hope you enjoyed your season, learnt a little bit about this great game and want to back up again next year with the Dragons.

Our playing staff was:

NATHAN ALTERATOR (Captain): Nathan had a very good year indeed. His batting proved to be the backbone of the side with many long and patient innings, almost always under pressure. Against the minor premiers, he came to the crease with the score at 6-14 and 5-6 respectively and on both occasions, with a willing partner at the other end, pulled his team to victory. His unbeaten last wicket stand of 58 with Luke also proved a match winning performance. Dismissed twice "hit wicket", he needs to work on this aspect of his game. Behind the stumps, he

was solid and will never die wondering whether the batsman did or did not get an edge. Given control of the team in the field, his field placings were both attacking and imaginative and he learned quickly how to use his bowlers to their best effort. Nathan earned the respect of his team mates by his performances throughout the season and can be well proud of his achievements.

MATTHEW CROUGHTON: Matthew's bowling improved with every over he bowled this season. Spinners traditionally find it tough in boys cricket, with the need for accuracy and small fields not being on their side and Matthew at times suffered from both these problems. On the credit side, he is beginning to develop a good loop in his delivery and this led to his best performance of 3-6 against Como-Jannali in the latter rounds. As a batsman, Matthew has a correct, comfortable stance at the wicket and on many occasions weathered the early storm only to be dismissed when he was starting to look good. His fielding also improved 100% over the season and a number of his stops from full blooded cover drives showed his team mates how it should be done. With this season under his belt we should see many positive things from Matthew in 1996/97.

DANIEL FILETTI (Vice Captain): Daniel had a great season, topping both the aggregate for runs and wickets. In the batting department, his season can be divided into three sections, the first section being the first four games of the season when he smashed 147 runs, including the team's highest score of 54 n.o. and looked set for a very big year indeed. The pressure of being the batsman expected to score heavily every time he went to the crease combined with a niggling technical fault that saw him hitting under the ball instead of over the top of it then set in. His next seven innings produced only 28 runs but this was ended with a welcome return to form in the last round where he hit the ball with authority, remaining 18 n.o. With the ball however, Daniel was "Mr. Consistent" always giving 100% effort and usually reaping rewards for accuracy and pace. Daniel was always given the end with the hole or the pool of water in the run up and managed to do wonders against such adversity. His fielding was also deadly, with the catch at backward square leg in the last round being truly memorable.

BEN GRAHAM: Ben's season was cut short by a broken arm just at the point when he was beginning to get used to this strange game of cricket. In his first over ever he took a neat caught and bowled and had little difficulty obtaining length and direction. In the batting department, Ben, like a number of his team mates, experienced some problems in deciding which ball to defend and which ball to attack. This is one area that can only be worked out in the centre and sadly his injury limited his exposure. Ben has a very accurate and strong arm and his throws from the deep were something to see. The team was grateful when one short, Ben fielded at fine leg with his left arm in a caste and turned in a great performance. Next season can only be better!

JASON HILL: Jason produced a number of extremely good hard hitting innings during the season. His 24 against Como-Jannali almost pulled us to victory and his 20 n.o. a week later saved us from outright defeat. His best innings, like a number of players, was saved until the last round when, opening the batting, he survived for over an hour to post a valuable 24, setting his team on the path to victory. Dispersed between these however were a number of innings where he gave his wicket away too early by swinging at balls on middle stump. Once he learns that the longer you can stay out in the centre, the more runs you will get, he will attain the consistency that is needed. Jason's bowling, although a little wayward, shows a lot of potential that hard work in the nets can unlock.

KANE JOHNSON: Another newcomer to the game, Kane improved with every game. In the batting department, he began shakily but with each innings his confidence and his stroke play improved. Sent in as opener towards the end of the first day of the penultimate game, Kane really kept his head down and displayed the ability that will blossom next season. With the ball, Kane was the second highest wicket taker and at times generated genuine pace and never stopped trying. A little more work on his follow through will greatly add to his speed and accuracy. In the field, he was one of our strongest

performers, taking some great catches at mid off. Particularly pleasing to watch was his ability to back up the bowler, saving countless overthrows.

SCOTT KILLELEA: Playing his first season, Scott can be justifiably proud of his efforts. Always difficult to dismiss, he displayed great determination and maturity when coming in against Sylvania with the score at 5-6. He firstly survived a harrowing quarter of an hour before stumps on day one and then continued his good form on the second day to remain unconquered on 15 when his team collected first innings points. This was not an isolated effort and the number of runs scored do not justify Scott's efforts with the bat. In the field, he took a number of good catches, mostly in close and set a high standard in the ground fielding department. With the first season now history, results commensurate with his ability should be forthcoming next year.

DANE LOGAN: Dane began the season well with the bat, being used as opener and providing the aggression needed in this position. His 18 against Magpies was a particularly fine innings as was his 16 against Sylvania. As the season progressed however, consistency seemed to desert him and more attention to his defensive strokes may be needed so he, like many of his team mates, can spend more time at the crease. In the bowling department, Dane has all the physical attributes to be a very good left arm bowler. At this stage in his career however, he tends to pitch the ball too short, therefore nullifying the pace and bounce advantage his height gives him. He has a very safe pair of hands in the field and saved many runs with neat fielding and strong accurate returns to the keeper.

ANDREW MAIR: Andrew's batting average does not accurately reflect his true ability. On many occasions he survived the initial overs only to fall when he was beginning to hit the ball well. In the third round, he provided valuable support to Daniel as the overs ran out, an effort he can be well proud of. With the ball, he showed his experience bowling an accurate line and length and making the batsmen play at almost every delivery. His 2-17 off 8 overs against a rampaging Gympie

was an excellent effort and showed the way to the rest of the team. Andrew's fielding was so improved during the year and many fine saves brought applause.

LUKE RADFORD: Luke's batting improved greatly during this season. Early on he was swinging wildly and giving his wicket away cheaply, but gradually he began to realise the worth of the defensive stroke and from then on his performance turned the corner. His unbeaten 58 run partnership with Nathan against Miranda proved a match-winner and in the last round, his 94 minute sheet anchor effort proved to be the basis of a solid win. It was good to see him talking to himself as the innings progressed becoming even more determined not to throw his wicket away. Luke's bowling also showed improvement and if he can add a little more pace without sacrificing accuracy he could prove a real handful for the opposition next season.

GEOFFREY SCOTT: Geoff has far more batting ability than his average suggests. When he learns to keep the ball down and not to try to score all the runs needed in the first two overs, he will doubtless produce many long and significant innings. Geoff has all the strokes and the cricket "brain" to go with them. His opening stand of 74 in 76 minutes with Daniel was one of the best performances of the season. Next year Geoff, next year! With the ball, he proved to be a versatile and attacking bowler alternating between medium pace and spin. The latter proved pivotal in the collapse of Caringbah in the last round. In the field, Geoff was our best fielder, taking many great catches and patrolling the backward square leg region like a tiger.

MICHAEL WARD: With his first season of cricket over, Michael can be well satisfied with his results. In the batting department, he showed a lot of potential. Like a number of players in the team, Michael on many occasions got over the initial few overs only to lift a catch when he was beginning to appear dangerous. His straight drives have a great deal of power behind them and he is prepared to wait for the bad ball. If he can reduce his back lift he will really start to pound the

opposition around the field. In the bowling department, Michael has tremendous potential. His height and ability to cut the ball back into the batsman will, with a bit more experience, yield many wickets in the seasons to come. To unleash this potential, Michael needs to think about how he approaches the wicket (straight, not at an angle) and where he pitches the ball (outside off stump, not on or outside leg stump). Cultivation of a ball that is straight up and down will keep the batsman guessing. His fielding was sound as was his catching. Next year, I am confident he can build on the platform of 1995/96.

PHIL ALTERATOR
Coach

16C TEAM REPORT

AWARD WINNERS	ALL ROUNDER:	BRETT GORREY
	BATTING:	CRAIG SELVAGE
	BOWLING:	GAVIN SCOTT
	FIELDING:	STEVEN PECK
	COACH'S:	LUKE EVANS

I had a most enjoyable (though worrying) season and I believe every player improved in at least one aspect of their game, most improving in several. I was proud to be part of the team. The boys showed a lot of Engadine spirit in most games and someone always came to the rescue when we were in trouble. Every player lifted his average from last year in something. The reason we won the premiership was due to the determination of all the boys in every game, which led to us going for outright victories on some occasions. I would like to congratulate every player on their premiership win (they were also minor premiers). Everyone contributed and in the end, we only won the minor premiership by less than 1 run.

Well done to all of you. I hope you all continue your cricketing careers next year, as you all have a lot to give the game.

Even though we won the final on a 2nd day washout, there was no way Illawong were going to get the runs required with our guys so determined (even an opposition coach watching stated this). They required 100 more runs than they got against us last time - 146 runs to get on that large wet ground would be very difficult to reach.

The last game against Gynea saw us with 2 players away, 2 players injured and one sick - with 2 of our first 4 batsmen out, the other boys all chipped in with 170 runs and batting 1 short, this was a great effort and gave us the Minor Premiership. A lot of people feel this is more important than the one game at the end of the season.

Again, I would like to say I was proud to be associated with you. You can all take pride in the way you played and the sportsmanship you showed, with tons of courage and determination showing through. Good luck next year to the guys staying in 16's you will show the way for the up and coming 14's players. It has been a great season for me and hopefully for all of you.

Thanks to Bob Gorrey and Arthur Brien for all their help this year. We would not have achieved what we did without them, they were both a very big part of the team. Also Raelene Ring, who scored every week, our thanks go out to her. She never missed a game - rain, hail or shine. Thanks again Raelene.

See you all again next year.

LEE BAILEY: The Merv Hughes of the team, who can both bat and bowl. A big hitter, who often left the fieldsmen first gaping at the missile hurtling over their heads, then searching for the ball in the scrub, getting 138 runs, 4th in the batting, 3 catches and with 13 wickets, 3rd in the bowling. A great all rounder who will lead the way next year in 16's again. Improved every aspect of his game this year and played a "big" hand in us finishing 1st in the competition (as did every player). Well done Lee, give 'em heaps next year and I hope you get your triple championship.

KEVIN CLARKE: A big improver who dramatically improved his fielding and bowling. Got us out of trouble against Gynea taking 2 wickets for 4 runs from only 2 overs. Also took a fantastic catch against Como to ensure us a win there, and as it turned out, the minor premiership. Accurate bowling is his forte and he will snare a lot of wickets next year, as he also remains in 16's. With the other players staying down, the 16's will again be a force to be reckoned with. Well done Kev.

ANDREW WACKWITZ: Another good all rounder who has improved all aspects of his game this year. Spin bowler who can really turn the ball and keep batsmen guessing. Took some very important catches and dismissed opening batsmen on a few occasions to help put us in the box seat. Was also responsible for running out Illawong's best batsman, helping us beat them in the 1st round and having a crack at the outright. A very talented player who next year, again in 16's will show the way. A dogged batsman who is difficult to dislodge when he settles in. Well done Andrew.

LUKE EVANS: Has ability in all aspects of the game and took a handy 10 wickets for us. Both his batting and bowling kept on getting better until he worked his way up to opening batsman where he helped get us off to some good starts. Proved very hard to dislodge and picked up a lot of runs. Again in 16's next year, should make life unbearable for the opposition bowlers. A big season Luke. Is also looking for a triple premiership next year, good luck Luke. I hope you get it. Well done.

PAUL GAVAN: Along with Luke (and a couple of other openers), got us off to several good batting starts this year. Would have had a lot more runs on the board but for some unlucky l.b.w. and caught off pads decisions. Still picked up over 100 runs in only 8 games. Is also a brick wall wicket keeper who lets nothing past him, taking 5 very good catches. Had a few overs when our bowling attack was down and managed to pick up 3 wickets from 3 overs. A good all rounder in all

aspects of the game. A big year for you Paul. Well done and well worthy of the Coach's award, which was a very tough decision this year.

BRETT GORREY: An exciting cricketer, who would kill to win and took out the All Rounder award. Bats and bowls hard and found his conversion from spin to pace very successful, terrorising many of the opposition batsmen with his speed, which gave him an eventual bowling average of 6.8 runs per wicket. Took 21 wickets in all, mostly openers or early order batsmen. In only 6 games, knocked up nearly 200 runs for a batting average of 32.5, and took 5 catches (without putting one down all season). Made the Shire rep. side this year, making for an extremely successful season. Well done Brett.

BEN HERMAN: Ben is another keen cricketer who is a good all rounder. Only starting his cricketing career last year, he shows promise in all aspects of the game. Has taken a few very important catches this year and has lifted our run rate at times when we were getting bogged down. A big hitter, who will probably get a lot more runs next season. A keen fielder who chases the ball hard and hates conceding a run. He will be a good player for the 16's next season and will cause bowlers a lot of concern. Well done Ben.

STEVE PECK: Another late starter who is learning the game and improving rapidly. Proved this year he can sensibly wield the bat, can field brilliantly and does well as a stand-in 'keeper. Got us out of trouble with the bat on several occasions when we needed him most and particularly in the final when we were just not getting enough runs, and he blasted 23 quick runs to put us back in the game. Steve won the Fielding award, and could soon give the Batting award a big shake. Had a big season. Well done Steve, bigger things to come.

GRAEME PIERCE: Graeme has probably the most potential of any player in his age group. Is the quickest bowler in the team and with a little more accuracy, will bag plenty of wickets. Tripled his batting average this year and with a little more luck could have done more. Fielded this year with great determination and vigour and his returns, now accurate, had many a batsman

scampering to save his wicket. Took a couple of very important catches at crucial times to get us out of trouble and cut off plenty of possible fours. Is a steady improver. Well done Graeme.

JAMES RING: Another all rounder who keeps on improving. Picked up some important runs when needed. Took a couple of good catches, particularly a fantastic caught and bowled capturing the last wicket of the season against Gynea and this ensured us a spot in the final. Fielding also improved this year, as shown by his catching. Picked up a few wickets at crucial times as his bowling also improved. Can bat when he sets his mind to it. Well done James. Keep up the good work and hope to see you again next year.

GAVIN SCOTT: Another good all rounder. Changed his batting from right to left handed this year and lifted his average from 2 to 18. Had a good partnership with Steve Peck in the final which helped us get a reasonable score. Picked up 18 wickets with a mixture of medium and spin bowling. Also took 5 catches, the most memorable being a diving one handed catch which was clearing the boundary on the full. Best bowling, 4-8 against St. Pats. Fields well with good returns from out wide. Well played this year Gavin.

CRAIG SELVAGE: Yet another all rounder (which is why we did so well this year). Although not getting a bag of wickets, which he deserved, bowled accurately all year to keep the oppositions run rate down. Fielded well also to cut down the runs and was part of a great run out against Como. Batted strongly all year and often came to the crease when we were in trouble, to save the day. Best batting was against, till then, undefeated leaders Illawong, scoring 53 runs n.o. A big year for Craig and a deserved winner of the Batting award.

MARK SURTEES: The Quiet Achiever, who also does it all well. Also changing to spin this year, started picking

up wickets. Batting improved greatly near seasons end and Mark proved difficult to get out. Tons of speed to burn, used it both in fielding and running between wickets. Mark improved all aspects of his game this year. Only small in stature, he surprised many a batsman with long outfield returns over the stumps. With another year in 16's, Mark will be a big headache to the opposition in all aspects of the game. Well done Mark.

BOB SCOTT
Coach

SENIOR CRICKET

SENIOR SECRETARY'S REPORT

The season for 1995/96 is now over and, all things considered, the club performed very well in the A1 and B7 grades we played in.

The A1 team under Captain, Drew Lake, were minor premiers, missing out in the final with weather playing a major part.

The B7 team under Captain, Adrian Vannan, had a very good season finishing equal second with Sylvania Heights Youth but missing out on a chance to play in the final on a countback.

Congratulations to the Club Award winners:

A1

Drew Lake	Batting	359 runs
	Average	39.9
Blake Cousemaker	Bowling	23 wickets
	Average	14.46

B7

Adrian Vannan	Batting	342 runs
	Average	38.0
Paul (Wally) Waddell	Bowling	30 wickets
	Average	12.43

The B7 had 17 players, so never had the same team playing each match. Due to injuries to three players plus absences of other players, both teams were scratching to place 11 players on the field all season, even with 17 players in the B7 side.

If we can get a commitment from everyone who wants to

play next season, the Club will refrain from placing so many players in one side.

In closing, I would like to wish the best of luck to Peter Bland and Ross Stuart from our A1 side, who will be overseas next season.

ALF LEMMON
Mens Secretary

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCES

CENTURIES

Drew Lake	A1	112	vs. Gynea Bay
Adrian Vannan	B7	128 n.o.	vs. St. Pats.

BOWLING

Paul Waddell	B7	vs. Miranda Hotel
		16.5 overs
		9 maidens
		8 wickets for 19

SENIOR TEAM REPORTS

A1 TEAM REPORT

A disappointing end to the season saw us lose our third final in a row. We showed what it took throughout the year to get to the final, but once again, choked at the game that counts, to a team we are much better than.

For the third year in a row, our batting let us down in the final. You cannot rely on just your fielding or bowling, or the weather to win games. A combination of all three is what it takes to win and when we get all three together, we'll be unstoppable.

To everyone in the side, I would like to say you are a great bunch of blokes to play cricket with and I look forward to next season.

I'd also like to thank the guys from the B7's who filled in throughout the year. Also, to Alf and Bob, a special thank you for the great job you did in looking after both mens teams.

DREW LAKE
Captain

B7 TEAM REPORT

The Dragons' B7 team had a most enjoyable and successful season finishing equal 2nd and disappointing as it is, failed to make the final on a countback. Congratulations go to both Caringbah Hotel and Sylvania Heights Youth on making the final. As it turned out, they were the only teams the Dragons failed to beat, so maybe they deserved to be there in the final.

The Dragons managed to win 5 games on the 1st innings and 1 game outright (the final game). We lost 4 games and drew 2 games due to the inclement weather that plagued the whole season and in the final wash-up, was the reason we missed out. The total points tallied was 60 in 14 rounds.

With 17 players of varying ability and ranging from 16 years of age to 49 years of age, it can be seen that this team had both youthful exuberance and experience of age. At most times, this seemed to balance out to the Dragons advantage, with all members of the team making a valuable contribution to the results, win or lose, and with the unenviable task of umpiring duty.

The high points of the season were skipper Adrian Vannan scoring 342 runs at an average of 38, Darren Price 327 runs at 36.222, with Adrian top scoring with 120 n.o. Darren's top score was 88 with other scorers of over 50 being Cameron Richmond (77 n.o.), Stuart Slack (92 n.o.), Paul Waddell (50 n.o.) and with quite a few players achieving better than 30 runs on a few occasions.

The best bowling efforts were by Paul Waddell taking 30 wickets at a miserly average of 12.433 and Marcus Loxley, 20 wickets at about 18 average, with the best being Paul's 8-19 in the 1st game.

In the field, the Dragons managed to take some brilliant catches, with most players taking at least one.

Regular 'keeper Brendan Lofthouse took 9, with back-up 'keeper Cameron Richmond taking 7 being the best for the season. We did, however, drop a few that could have changed the results, especially in the games lost. There were also some very good run-outs that did affect the results.

All in all, a very good team effort by a good bunch of blokes who were a credit to the Dragons club and they should all be proud of their sportsmanship and attitude no matter what the result.

On behalf of the Skipper, Adrian Vennan, the Vice Captain, Allan Lofthouse would like to thank all members of the team for their wholehearted efforts throughout the season and we would also like to thank Bob Price for his help with the kit and mat when it rained (his ute came in handy when the mat got wet). The team would also like to thank Judy Lofthouse, our trusty scorer, for doing the difficult paperwork part of the game and for also keeping the opposition scorers honest by making sure their books tallied with ours at all times, not an easy task sometimes. Thanks also to Russ Waddell, Alf Lemmon and Bob Vennan for their moral support all season.

ALLAN LOFTHOUSE

Vice Captain and 49 not out

DATES TO REMEMBER

BOYS ASSOCIATION
PRESENTATION NIGHT

Friday, 14 June 1996
Trade Union Club,
Gymea
7.30 p.m.

MENS ASSOCIATION
PRESENTATION NIGHT

To be advised

ENGADINE DRAGONS CRICKET CLUB

Practice starts

Anzac Oval Nets
July 28
9.30 a.m.

Mens competition
commences

14 September 1996