

# << TEAM REPORT 16B >>

AWARD WINNERS \* ALL ROUNDER A. George  
 BATTING S. Clinch  
 BOWLING J. Innes  
 FIELDING C. Berry  
 MOST IMPROVED R. Hillier.

This team had a lot of potential. It finished fourth in the competition, playing a man short for most of the season and could have finished a lot higher.

There were some good batting and bowling performances and the team tried their hardest in the field - and that is all a coach can ask.

16A SHANE CLINCH: Unfortunately Shane played only five games due to injury. In those games he showed he has the patience and ability to become a good batsman in any team. Shane is also a very capable wicket-keeper.

CRAIG ASTILL: Craig moved to the country in the Christmas break, and so only played in six matches, but in those he played well in all aspects of the game.

16A JOHN INNES. John is a good all-round cricketer who hits the ball very hard and bowls very well when he doesn't try to bowl too fast. He is also very good in the field.

16A CRAIG DOW. (Captain) Craig tends to be a little impatient as a batsman, who would do better if he learnt to pick the right ball to hit. He is another who tries to bowl too fast, resulting in bowling too short at times and the batsmen scoring easy runs. However, he has a lot of natural ability and is potentially a fine all round cricketer.

2 MICHAEL GORRY. Michael is a capable batsman and an excellent gully fieldsmen. I am sure Michael will go on to play a lot better cricket in the future.

ROBERT HILLIER. Robert joined the team from the 4th round. He likes to hit the ball very hard and if he improves his defence, I'm sure he will gain plenty of runs in the future. He showed vast improvement in each match he played in, and I was very pleased to give him the "Most Improved" Award.

COLIN BERRY. Colin showed he has the right temperament for a batsman. He is also very keen in the field, taking some great catches and earning the "Fielding" Award.

16A ANTHONY "Jagger" GEORGE. In "Jagger" we have another good all rounder who excels in bowling fast or spin.

BRUCE DIXON. Bruce is a batsman with a variety of strokes, but he loses concentration and tends to put the ball in the air. Bruce fields very well.

BRETT ALLEN. 4 Brett is a batsman who does have the ability to concentrate and with more coaching from one of the better batsmen in the club, could produce some fine innings in the future. He also fields well.

TERRY HANDS. Terry hits the ball very hard and likes to get on with the job. He also comes up with some good defensive shots when he has to. I would like to see a slow-bowler from one of our 'A' grade sides give Terry some coaching next year.

COLIN RYMER. Colin is the type of player every team needs. He is a tryer who has improved with every game during the season. Colin needs to be a little sharper in the field.

ALF LEMMON [Coach]

# << TEAM REPORT 16C >>

AWARD WINNERS \* ALL ROUNDER C. Alewood  
 BATTING W. Martin  
 BOWLING G. Roberts  
 FIELDING S. Reynolds  
 MOST IMPROVED M. Elrick.

This season was reasonably successful for a team which consisted of a keen bunch of boys, that have been neglected in previous years by coaches who evidently never taught, or got the message through to the players regarding basic fundamentals of batting, bowling or fielding, and this alone made the task of changing their attitudes to the game a difficult one for me, in their first season in the Under 16's. I only hope that the boys will start to think about their game and realise they have the potential, but must learn self-concentration, whilst batting, bowling or fielding, to gain for themselves the rewards they could achieve. A most enjoyable season and I hope each one of you will play again next season. One aspect the boys should have been pleased with is that they all got their chance during the season, with six players bowling between 40 and 70 overs each, and three players 22 to 31 overs each.

C. ALEWOOD. (Captain). Craig was our leading all-rounder, endowed with exceptional power on his drives and off his hips on the on side. His fielding was also brilliant. Highest for the season his unconquered century against Miranda. To improve his game, Craig must learn to play shots behind the wicket and whilst bowling, to concentrate on a good length and bowl to his field.

DAVID MESSITER. (vice captain). Dave, full of enthusiasm to do well, always tried hard, and had his moments with bat and ball. Once he learns to relax in his approach to the game, he will fine himself a better cricketer.

STEWART REYNOLDS. I think he learnt a lot this season, changing from the easy going boy to a player with the will to do well, batting well as an opener and his cover fielding was a delight to watch. Well done.

GARY ROBERTS. Has tremendous all round potential as a batsman and an off spinner. Gary to achieve his full potential, only has to learn to get behind the good length ball and thus eliminate the gap between pad and bat, a fault so common with his team mates.

16A WAYNE MARTIN. Another good prospect as a batsman, and leg spinner. His innings of 65 unconquered against Sports, showed he had overcome his impatience to hit the wrong ball. His only fault is his big back lift. A definite improver over the season.

MARK ELRICH. Mark was just an ordinary cricketer at the beginning of the season, but improved enormously over the season, developing into a good batsman, one of the few who got behind the ball, and a handy fast bowler. Should acquit himself well playing on mats next season.

DARREN BROWN. Darren showed glimpses of developing into a handy keeper and batsman over the season. His batting towards the season's end showed vast improvement. Once he learns concentration, his game will also improve.

KEN ROBBINS. Ken tried hard, but again another boy who must gain self-confidence and the art to concentrate before he shows improvement.

GRAEME SEWELL. A good prospect as an off-spinner, beginning to think about each delivery, changing flight and trajectory. Must learn to concentrate on the match when fielding.

DAVID SINGH. In his first season, showed potential, not afraid to hit the ball and a handy medium pace bowler. To improve his batting, again another boy who must get behind the ball.

ROBERT BARNES. Our tearaway bowler. Has potential to be a good fast bowler with his fast yorkers, but must learn to bowl a good line. His fielding was always safe.

DAVID PERRY. Dave, in his first year at cricket, was a willing listener, and tried hard to improve his game. Keep at it Dave, I hope you play again next season.

In summing up, the word concentration is the main theme song with most of the lads. I hope you enjoyed your cricket. Big thanks to Die Reynolds for her faithful efforts whilst scoring and her friendly manner with the team. Thanks to Harry Sewell,

has always been there when you want him for something, and also to the parents who helped with transport.

Big thanks to Bob Martin for his end of the season Barbeque. We appreciate gestures like this no end.

HARRY ROBBINS. [Coach]

<< TEAM REPORT 14A >>

AWARD WINNERS *	ALL ROUNDER	N. Lovelock
	BATTING	D. Russell
	BOWLING	P. Bland
	FIELDING	R. Martin
	MOST IMPROVED	B. Longville.

The 14A cricket team finished well down the list and we congratulate the premiers, Caringbah Sports, on a very good win. Our team went through the season sometimes 2 and 3 short - always one short every match. Not real good for an 'A' grade side. But we survived to have a fair season. The boys enjoyed the year, a happy side. Each boy throughout the season tried their hand at bowling. I think we are the only 'A' grade side going around who have 11 bowlers, and all took wickets as well.

I would like to thank all team members for the gentlemanly way they conducted themselves on and off the field. It was great to be associated with them. Also many thanks to our manager, Bill Lovelock, for his tireless efforts for the team during the season, and to Mrs. Evelyn Russell for her most accurate score book.

DEAN RUSSELL (captain). Dean captained the side well throughout the season. He had a good season with the bat, both with the Club and representative cricket. My only criticism of his batting is that he lacked concentration at times.

SCOTT BOND. Wicket-keeper and batsman, first year in 14's. Scott with the experience he got from this season will I feel

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sure have a good year in 1979. It's a bit hard when a middle order bat has to open the batting, as Scott did, and what's more, did well.

NEAL LOVELOCK. First year with 14's. A very good all-rounder had a fine season both with the bat and ball. Was selected in the Shire Representative Team. Neal should be one of the stars in the '79 season.

BRETT LONGVILLE. Brett is a great team man. Nothing is any trouble to him. He has the technique to get runs, hits the ball hard, bowls and very good in the field.

BRETT LEVINGS. Brett showed that he can get runs and wickets; when you settle down and concentrate, you'll be surprised to find out how good an all rounder you are.

PETER BLAND. First year in 14's. Peter acquitted himself against the older boys very well. He has the potential to indicate he will be one of the stars of next season with the bat and ball. Must start playing off the front foot more.

PETER GREEN. Peter can be a good opening bowler with more thought in his line. With the bat he loves to hit the ball and I mean hit. At the start of the year, it was hit or miss, and be out, but by the end of the season, he improved out of sight by playing straight and waiting for the right ball to hit. Peter loves his cricket.

GREG LANGSTON. First year in 14's. Greg had a fine season. With his bowling, not many wickets. He has the ability to get a lot of lift from a good length. Bowled without any luck. He also can play straight and get runs with a bit more effort from himself.

COLIN WARNER. Colin has all the shots in the book plus the technique only he had one of those seasons where nothing went right for him. Would have been very frustrating for him. Hang in there Colin for you have many seasons ahead of you.

RODNEY MARTIN. First year in 14's. Rodney had a good season getting amongst the runs. Plays very straight and has a great eye. Very safe hands and also a good change bowler.

TED RUSSELL [Coach]

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# << TEAM REPORT 140 >>

AWARD WINNERS *	ALL ROUNDER	D. Barrett
	BATTING	P. Costanzo
	BOWLING	D. O'Toole
	FIELDING	D. Hird
	MOST IMPROVED	D. Elrick

Running third in the competition, I consider ourselves very unlucky not to have finished closer to the other two teams as we only lost 3 games on first innings.

At a crucial stage in the competition, the boys unfortunately played two poor games against these teams, and eventually this cost us the chance of taking out the premiership. Nothing can be taken away from the boys as many have had a big season, and there is no doubt that there are many more in store for them as they continue to mature.

This season they dismissed teams for scores of 13 and 27 and have compiled over 200 runs on numerous occasions. It has been a great effort indeed, showing that tons of ability was amongst this team in which each individual performed well at some stage. The bowling and batting was evenly divided with only 1% to 2% separating half the team.

The attitude both on and off the field combined with the team spirit of the boys was tremendous and Engadine Dragons can be proud of these young ambassadors in cricket.

Two people whom I would especially like to thank are Orry Cox & Bill Costanzo, as they provided effortless time and support in scoring, coaching and providing transport each week. Thank you for making my job that much easier. Finally I wish each and every boy the success in their future "career" as sportsmen.

DAVID ELRICK. An outstanding all-rounder with a bright future in cricket. His bowling has been devastating due to his consistency in attacking the stumps. David has been a terrific force in this team throughout the season. Certainly 'A' grade material.

DAVID O'TOOLE. A skilful spin bowler who has captured many wickets this season and as he matures will provide a real handful for batsmen. David, with tons of ability, especially with the bat, and his brilliant fielding, certainly has many years of entertaining cricket ahead of him.

DARRAN BARRATT. Had a good season developing as a cricketer with amounts of potential. Darran has a good eye with the bat, compiling runs to his credit, but his bowling has improved each game, showing promise as a true all rounder.

DAVID HARDEN. A real battler who tried hard for his first season. With limited chances, David showed ability with both the bat and ball, especially towards the season's end. A big season coming up for David, with more experience.

PAUL COSTANZO. Has notched up many good innings this season as an opening batsman, scoring an unbeaten century. He was a real backbone in the batting scene for his team mates. Paul had an excellent season with the gloves behind the stumps, gifted with quick reflexes, has dismissed many with quick stumpings.

GLEN JACKSON. Started the season like a champion, but unfortunately never fulfilled his free attacking strokes as he would have wished. Once you learn to wait for the loose ball to hit, runs will flow again. Will be a top bat once he settles and concentrates on cricket, instead of "girls". Has bowled and fielded well too.

DAVID HIRD. Never really got going this season but has tons of ability to his credit. David with potential as a batsman, once he learns to hit the loose ball hard instead of half hitting, he will soon compile plenty of runs. His fielding was superb all season, setting down to the ball as a cricketer should. Another player with a big season ahead of him.

ANDREW GOTLEY. Has hit up good scores but more concentration is needed when the bowling is tight and on top. Andrew has been an economical bowler and a conscientious fielder throughout the season. Has the potential for better things to come if he makes up his mind to get stuck into the opposition. Has taken great catches on the field.

IAN COX. Ian has produced a mixture of performances both with the ball and bat and has the potential as a swing bowler if he continues to attack the stumps. His fielding was excellent in covers but his batting can improve vastly in the coming seasons if he plays his shots closer to the pads. There are many years of entertaining cricket ahead for Ian, as he matures with the game.

DAVID CANNINGS. A cricketer who tries hard at bettering himself as the season progressed. We have yet not seen the ability behind this lad who is capable of developing himself into a fine cricketer. He has shown ability with the bat, especially towards the season's end. Fielded well.

PETER WEARNE. A late comer to the team, Peter showed plenty of ability scoring 30 in his first innings. Had a few overs and bowled well, combining well with his team mates. There is a ton of ability in him which will be seen next season. A definite improver.

ADRIAN MORRIS. Has struck trouble with injury this season, therefore had limited chances both with the bat and ball. He showed promise as a bowler and with more experience in the years to come, will develop into an above average cricketer - if he is injury free!

#### JEFF HUYBEN [Coach]

<< TEAM REPORT 14E >>		
AWARD WINNERS *	ALL ROUNDER	J. Cooksey
	BATTING	A. Wood
	BOWLING	I. Cook
	FIELDING	G. Coles
	COACHES AWARD	B. Lawrence

This team was comprised of four "no previous experience" players and eight boys with only limited competitive background with bat and ball.

Bowling was shared amongst all those willing to have a turn; Eight players bowled more than twenty overs each, and of the twelve boys, only regular "wickie", Wayne Martin, did not take a wicket in the season. Wayne compensated for this by heading the catches taken tally with eleven victims.

All were given equal batting opportunity and this policy was reflected in every boy showing marked improvement in batting skill. The team developed players of all round ability, capable of matching any opposition in the grade. Only inexperience, especially in tight fielding, stopped the team from gaining higher competition honours.

Full credit and recognition is due to coach Alan Watson for his time and patience, and his scrupulously fair policy of allowing every boy equal opportunity to participate.

The support of the many parents who attended both home and away matches was appreciated by the boys.

This was a pleasant and worthwhile year for all concerned.

ROY BARCLAY. First year in cricket. Earned respect with his enthusiasm to chase every ball. A big improver especially with the bat. Always kept his batting partner awake by taking off like a startled gazelle at any chance of a run.

GREG BROWNE. A dogged defensive bat. Snared a couple of the opposition "stars" with his slow left arm spin. (7 wickets taken). A much improved fielder as the season progressed.

IAN COOK. Lots of cricket potential. Very successful bowler (most wickets - 26) with a deceptive change of pace. Twice took five wickets in an innings. Own worst critic as a batsman, but credibly averaged 11 runs per game. 8 Catches held.

JOHN COOKSEY. Leading batsman (221 runs - average 22.1). Free flowing batting style. Has ability and skill to move the ball both ways in the air. Successful bowler (11 wickets at 16.45). 7 Catches held.

PAUL DICKMAN. A good first year in cricket. Developed bowling competence to be a consistent wicket-taker in the last half of the season. (10 wickets at 10.2). Batting improved with experience and confidence. 6 Catches held.

CRAIG KINDER. An enthusiastic and determined all round performance by probably the youngest cricketer in the competition. (qualifies by six hours). Batting featured a courageous effort to play down the line to the fastest ball. 107 runs and eight wickets. 5 Catches held by this keen and alert fieldman.

BRETT LAWRENCE. Mr. Power of the batting line-up. Developed from refusing to bowl, to capturing the bowling averages (23 overs for 12 wickets at 4.6). The best throwing arm in the team who held 7 catches, many of which were "beauties".

WAYNE MARTIN. An excellent team player. Faced the brunt of the bowling attack with calmness and courage which helped the following batsmen. Confident and competent behind the stumps. (51 byes only).

CRAIG QUINE. Good all round performance from this very competitive cricketer. Excellent timer of the ball to total 128 runs and captured 15 wickets. Held 3 catches and showed himself to be a quick-moving, quick thinker in the field.

STEPHEN SWAIN. Another "newie" who progressed to staying at the wicket for increasingly longer periods. Developed from total inexperience to being capable of delivering overs without the dreaded "no-ball".

ADAM WOOD. A punishing left hand batsman when set. Knocked up 174 runs. Held 3 catches and claimed 9 wickets. "Woodie" was easily our best fieldman in several games, where he set the example of alert, quick movement to the ball, backed up by deadily accurate returns.

GREG COLES. "Mr. Have-A-Go" of the side. Batted, bowled and fielded with vigour and determination, even with one convalescent leg. First year in comp. cricket, but his attitude and enthusiasm met the challenge to the extent where he filled in as "wicket" in the last game. 70 runs, 4 wickets, 3 catches.

JOHN DICKMAN [Manager]

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## << TEAM REPORT 12A >>

AWARD WINNERS	* ALL ROUNDER	R. Entwistle
	BATTING	P. Ryan
	BOWLING	J. Westlake
	FIELDING	G. Nelson
	MOST IMPROVED	P. Brosnan

### PREMIERS.

Congratulations to a fine bunch of boys on being worthy Premiers. Leading the competition from the first match, the only team in the grade to force 2 teams to bat a second time, and undefeated until the last ball was bowled.

Runs for	1623:	Wickets	66	Average	24.5
Runs against	1244	Wickets	113	Average	11.0

We were fortunate to have a number of boys experienced in 'A' grade or having their second year in 12's, and supported by 3 very competent 10A's from last year, but as the age gets older, 'A' grade gets harder and only the really keen ones will continue to succeed. Every boy throughout the season, I know, tried his best and from the figures it can be seen that our batting carried us through - able to chase any score set us with the remarkable number of 8 boys averaging over 22. Our bowling, whilst very steady and extremely economical, lacked penetration, but I am sure that with those interested enough to use the offer of coaching, this will be overcome and every boy in the team was able to take wickets.

Collectively our fielding was a little disappointing, but each boy at some time excelled in either ground fielding or catching so the latent ability is there to come out in the future.

My sincere thanks to Michael Hammond our Manager/Assistant Coach and Joyce Nelson for her excellent scoring, your assistance was invaluable, and to those who supported us throughout the season.

BRIAN BALLARD. Great to have Brian join us from the 12C's this year of his own choice for keener competition, he

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certainly found it. Brian hits the ball hard, steady accurate medium pace bowling and took some excellent catches in the gully.

PAUL BROSANAN. Really started to come good this year - his batting particularly the off drive showing the benefit of practice; very accurate left arm swing bowling, fielded well. With 6 catches, an average 23 and 13 wickets, Paul is our "Most Improved Player" of the year.

RODNEY ENTWISTLE. Only small, but proved the backbone of many innings to ensure wins, worked hard and improved his spin bowling, extremely safe in the field and took some remarkable catches. With 204 runs, 18 wickets and 9 catches, Rod has really earned the "All Rounder" Trophy.

ROBERT GEORGE. Rob found the jump from 10A to 12A a bit severe, but never a complaint. Batted well but unlucky to always be out on the first chance, steady off spin bowler and showed enough in the field for future confidence.

DEAN KEMBER. A late starter this year because of other sports. Dean again batted with great power, bowled with enthusiasm and his usual good efforts in the field with a good throw. Congratulations on being selected in the District Representative Team, Dean.

GRANT KENNEDY. Played some excellent hard hitting innings to force wins for us, bowled with pace to take important wickets, fielded well with a very strong throw. Grant's ability is now starting to come through and will improve even further.

GRANT LOVETT. Up from the 10A's Grant batted in fine style with many steady digs, his spin bowling was better than his figures show and his fielding indicates that with maturity it will develop to always help his bowlers.

GLEN NELSON. Very steady in all his innings this year, and in the one match not wicket-keeping, showed he is the best bowling-fielding-keeper around. Glenn's 6 catches and overall performance on uneven approaches behind the stumps earn him our "Fielding Award".

PAUL OLIVER. Up from last year's 12C I know Paul enjoyed himself. His late batting efforts showed the benefit of practice and he has a natural bowling action for the "six-stitcher" later on and always tried in the field.

GRANT ROSSITER. Another up from 10A, Grant has everything in his favour, able to reach the ball from the crease, hit it hard, the height to assist his bowling, and a very strong throw - this year will have been a big help to him.

PETER RYAN. Pete's batting, particularly early in the season was outstanding, the drives great to see; his fast bowling this year, though, was a bit short and off line, very fast in the field and can be top class. His 226 runs, average 45.2, give him our "Batting Award".

JOHN WESTLAKE. Some excellent innings in the middle order, hitting the ball out of sight. All season bowled accurately and even top batsmen couldn't score, but found it harder to break through. Fielded well and also made the Representative Team. John's 19 wickets, Average 8.05, see him with our "Bowling" Award.

One final word - I would like to say 'sorry' to those who did not get as much of the action as others. We did try, but unfortunately it often seemed to be the same boys next to bat or bowl, but as I considered the circumstances of the particular games, I made what I thought were necessary decisions at the time. I trust all of them have enjoyed the year and derived some benefit from it and want to play cricket again with us next year.

RAY ENTWISTLE [Coach]

<< TEAM REPORT 12C >>

AWARD WINNERS \* BALL ROUNDER M. Alewood  
 BATTING P. Cook  
 BOWLING R. Porter  
 FIELDING G. Shields  
 MOST IMPROVED B. Hodson

I can never understand why we find it so hard to get cricket coaches and managers each season. The amount of pleasure received by Ken and myself in taking this particular bunch of young guys makes the few hours we give so worthwhile. These boys are a great little team of sportsmen and the respect they have received for their conduct on and off the field, the way they play the game and the way they treat each other is fantastic.

This season we had one loss, 2 draws, 7 wins, 1 forfeit. The only team to beat the red hot Cronulla Leagues Club team. We retired 16 batsmen this season in an attempt to give all boys a bat and for the unselfish way the boys did this, and also gave their wickets away, I applaud them. The encouragement they gave each other is a thing I hope they will never forget.

This is Ken and my second year together with most of our boys. To the new members of our family, Brad, Paul, Robert, Matthew and Russell, we hope you enjoyed yourselves as we enjoyed having you.

BRAD HODSON. Team Captain. Adding this young man to our team was like adding a fourth ace to a hand of cards, already containing three aces. Brad, having a reputation as a slow scorer, soon lost it this season, with his powerful driving and pulling of the ball. His concentration at training has given him the variety of shots and polish of a player with three times the experience.

ROBERT ALAN. This fellow, playing his first year of competition cricket, has that much natural ability, all he had to do

was concentrate and let it flow out. Unfortunately his concentration let him down and he only had a good season and not a great one. Work on it next year Rob, and there will be no stopping you.

MATTHEW ALEWOOD. Here is another boy with ability to burn. Mat is a true all rounder and showed it by having the 4th top batting average and taking the team's most wickets with 20. The ability is there Mat, now, and it is all up to you. Whatever sport you attempt, you will do well at, if you train hard and listen to what you have been told.

STEPHEN BARNES. Steve had another steady season this year and improved considerably over last season. You doubled your average and aggregate this season Steve, and with more concentration, especially on your defence, there is no reason why you can't show the same improvement next season.

DARREN BULL. The Big Fellow had another good season this year. As a batsman and on his day, there is no more devastating hitter in the Shire. The same applies to his bowling and fielding. Next season Darren you must concentrate much more early on in your innings as 85% of your runs this season came in 3 innings.

PAUL COOK. It may have taken us a little time to con Paul into playing this season, and the effort was 200% worth it. This boy was our most consistent run getter, scoring 177 runs at an average of 25.3. His incredible timing and power made many bowler feel like giving up as he blasted them all round the field. A top fieldman and very consistent bowler.

PAUL DAVISON. Without a doubt, this young man would have been the most improved cricketer and may have even been the best batsman in our team if he was able to play the whole season. Last season Paul scored 23 runs at an average of 4; and in five innings this season compiled 105 runs at an average of 21. Keep it up Paul as cricket can ill afford to lose players with your ability.

RUSSELL LANGSTON. Rusty our mighty midget, has a heart as big as a lions. Whether it be batting, bowling or fielding, there are few that give the effort that this guy does. Russell's batting passes the class of a much older cricketer and his bowling carries the venom of a Dennis Lillie. This fellow again in the 12's next season will be unstoppable.

ROBERT PORTER. How could a guy this small and only in his second year of cricket be feared. Not funny but true. It was another great season Rob. Taking one less wicket than last year, but still a much improved bowler. I believe it was his ability that stopped him from getting more wickets. The batsmen could not even get an edge as he swung the ball so much. Keep it up Bob.

GLEN SHIELDS. My mate Glen Shields should get the title of Mr. Cricket. He lives, drinks and sleeps it, and he is one of our most improved cricketers. This season Glen's ability to play shots all round the wicket has improved as has the power he puts into each shot. His fielding is nothing short of spectacular and at mid-off has held some scorers.

DAVID RITCHARD. Here is a sportsman with a ton of ability, and one I hope I have not damaged by trying to curb his natural aggression. David is an exciting fieldman, an excellent wicket-keeper and his loss to the club in all sports will be felt for years to come. Remember Dave, once a Dragon always a Dragon, and we want you back at some stage.

CRAIG TEVER. It is hard to follow an incredible season with another, as this fellow found out this season. Craig would be technically one of the most correct batsmen in our team. He also is very talented with his off spin bowling and the best slips fieldman in our team. Next season I would like to see you open Craig, boost your confidence and have another great season.

CRAIG WALKER. Craig also had a good season, showing much improvement over last season. His batting revealed more purpose and authority which I feel was gained by very hard work in the practice nets. As our wicket-keeper, Craig did an excellent job and also realized that it is not an easy position with the inconsistent bounces.

I could not finish the season without thanking Ken Tever, the best manager I have ever had, for another top season. His support on Saturdays, and during training is unsurpassed. To Val and Liz, we all thank you very much for your assistance, and I especially thank my wife for the support and help she has given me this season.

We received another good season's support from our parents. I thank you for this support as I realize how much the boys enjoy having you there and how much harder it makes them try. For your support and response to our various events this season I thank you and hope you enjoyed yourselves.

MIKE FORDYCE [Coach]

<< TEAM REPORT 12D >>

AWARD WINNERS *	ALL ROUNDER	K. Hughes
	BATSMAN	G. Boughton
	BOWLING	B. Renkin
	FIELDING	B. Davis
	COACHES AWARD	M. Chendler

In summing up, Keith and I would like to thank the boys for the dedication and attitude they have shown us this year. Your keenness to congratulate each bowler when a wicket was taken & your feelings towards a batsman when out, was a pleasure to see. We did not win, but coming third was a credit to you all. To Keith, I thank you for your support, your organisation off the field and your help at training was much appreciated. To our Scorer, Glad, I also thank. To find a good scorer is very hard, and you turning up each week was also very much appreciated. Last, but not least, the parents and their "kids" who

dragged themselves to each game & supported the boys and helped when needed, we thank you. The presents and cake you gave us at our last game really "iced" off a very happy season. Thanks again.

DAVID GILMORE [Coach]  
KEITH HUGHES [Manager]

GREG BOUGHTON. Greg was a delight to coach, very polite and always listened at training at the match. A fine bat and always tried to force the run rate. Top scored for the year with 200 runs and also had the highest score in an innings - 88 not out.

MARK CHANDLER. Mark started the season in a flurry, scoring a lot of runs off the bat with a highest score of 69 n/o in 55 minutes, then had a bit of a slump and came good again at the end of the season. His bowling probably let him down and a lot more concentration at this will see him improve as he lacks nothing but concentration.

BRAD DAVIS. A delight to coach and a real trier. Always tried with his batting and bowling and his fielding was a pleasure to watch. A very safe pair of hands and always alert for the loose ball. When he bowled his floaters, he had the opposition in all sorts of trouble, trying to figure out when the ball would land. A fine effort.

BRETT JACKSON. Brett, although having a fair season, lacked the necessary concentration when it came to bat and bowl. He started the season as our wicket-keeper and performed this task very well. He has the style to be a good bowler, but I think needs a lot more effort. His fielding was good and very rarely let a ball through.

DAVID KAY. David was another boy who trained and played his cricket very well. A very good bat and could always hold up his end. Could play the fast bowlers better than anyone in the side with his lovely straight bat. The only boy in the side who could master that front foot. His bowling during the season was good although not taking many wickets, made the opposition work for their runs.

STEPHEN LYNCH. Stephen had an up and down season with the bat and ball. Batted very well in a few innings and has what it takes to make a very good bat. He just needs that little bit more concentration. Probably ran himself out more times than was bowled or caught. He bowled very well late in the season and let very few loose ones go.

DAVID MADDEN. Poor David could not take a trick all year. Had very few opportunities with the bat and these seemed to go against him with dubious decisions. Filled in as wicket-keeper a few times and I think he enjoyed this position. His fielding was superb with some very fine catches at mid-on. We were very sorry to lose David half way through the season with a broken arm, and hope he returns next year.

BRAD RANKIN: One of our best bowlers and fielders pulled off some marvelous catches in his favourite slip position and although slow to start with his bowling, made up for it after the Christmas break with some of the best off-spinners I have seen from a 12 year old. He had the best bats from the opposing sides playing their best shots to keep the ball down. His batting was fair, but needs a lot more concentration.

ADAM SMITH. Adam had a fair season with the bat and ball and probably favoured bowling more so. Bowls a very good fast ball and has the action to back this. Although not taking a lot of wickets, he always made the opposition work for their runs. The only fault I could find with his bowling was lack of concentration and this more than anything cost him wickets. His batting was up and down all season, sometimes playing some good innings. Adam I think will grow into a very good fast bowler, if he can just apply that little bit more thought to his bowling.

KEITH HUGHES. Keith was our Captain this year, and I think led the boys very well. Was always keen at training and was very good in setting his field. I tried as much as possible not to interfere with his field placings and most times found them to be very good. Although not outstanding with the bat, he made up for it with his very fine leg breaks. Took 17 wickets in the season, proving this. A delight to coach.

MATTHEW GILMORE. Matthew had an up and down season with the bat, sometimes scoring some good runs. Did not get many opportunities with the ball; we used him as our wicket-keeper, from about the fifth game and this, I think, was the position he liked (after much debate). He acquired the nickname "Marshie" from a certain supporter and this lifted his keeping tremendously, taking some fine catches off the bat, some good run-outs and stumpings. Always keen in the field and urged the bowlers to improve their line and length.

BARRY CLARK: I consider Barry the most under-rated bowler in the comp. A boy with a lot of potential if he can only control his line and length. Bowls the fastest ball for a 12 year old, but could not get the wickets he so deserved. With a lot more concentration with his bowling next year, I think the wickets will come. His betting let him down until the last game and this particular was used to make up for all his season's failures. He proved he could do it. Now all it needs is self-confidence.

ADRIAN VANVAN. Adrian came to us half way through the comp. and although started slowly soon found his feet. Although not a good bowler, he was always prepared to listen and learn. He will improve with just a little more work in his arm action. Adrian's best point by far, was his batting, not scoring a lot of runs, but you can see the concentration there. Plays a good bat; has very good footwork and this will, I am sure, improve next year. A very polite boy and good listener at training.

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#### << TEAM REPORT 12E >>

AWARD WINNERS *	ALL ROUNDER	R. Elworthy
	BATTING	G. Ryan
	BOWLING	S. Kenny
	FIELDING	J. Strickland
	MOST IMPROVED	D. Cox

The 12E side was basically a team of beginners, with only five of the boys having played competition cricket previously. We came second to Loftus by one solitary point, although we did beat the eventual premiers comfortably in the final match. The boys only lost one match throughout the season, to Loftus, but finished the comp. in a blaze of glory with one outright win, two first innings wins and a draw since the Christmas break. Bowling was obviously our strong point as only one team managed to attain three figures against us. Batting, however, was our downfall, with only Robert Elworthy and Grahame Ryan being reasonably consistent. The overall improvement in the team throughout the season was really quite good with the boys getting to know the 'ins' and 'outs' of the game.

MICHAEL BEAMS. First season. Performed reasonably well with bat and ball with personal best of 31 and 4 for 1 run. Had misfortune of being in a team of good bowlers.

ROBERT CLACK. First season. Reserve wicket-keeper, holding 3 fine catches. Big, strong boy who hits the ball hard, but unfortunately not often.

DAVID COX. First season. Wicket-keeper who developed well throughout the season. Does everything right behind the stumps and only requires experience.

MARK DAVIES. First season. Left handed spin bowler who will improve with more co-ordination. Turns the ball nicely and a good team player.

ROBERT ELWORTHY. Undoubtedly the star of the team, scoring 187 runs at 26.7 and taking 19 wickets at 4.7. This boy has all it needs to become a fine cricketer and should cause havoc next season when again eligible for under 12's. Personal best of 54 not out and 4 for 24.

STUART KENNY. Team's leading bowler, with 32 wickets at 4.7 and good batting support with 76 runs at 10.9. A fine prospect who bowled 25 of his 32 wickets, indicating his accuracy. Is also eligible for under 12's next season. Good fieldsman, taking 9 catches.

DARRIN MARTIN. Back up bowler and batsman who had his moment of glory in our outright win, smashing two consecutive fours to finish the game. Best bowling performance 2 for 11. Fielding improved during the season, ending with two fine catches.

PAUL MCGUIRK. First season. Willing fieldmen, who had little chance to really show his wares.

JOHN RIDLEY. First season. Generally opening batsman whose stance at the wicket is a lesson to others. Batting shows real promise and I envisage good scores for John in the near future. Good fieldman.

JAMIE RYAN. If enthusiasm means wins, Jamie should come out on top. Scored 48 runs at 16.0 with a personal best of 24 not out. Only a small boy and found bowling in this age group hard, but should come good next year when again eligible for under 12.

JAMES STRICKLAND. First season. Fine opening bowler taking 20 at 5.3. Hard hitting slugger totalling 58 at 11.6 with best score of 30 not out. Good fieldman with a beautiful throwing arm. Definitely fastest bowler in whole competition, and had many of the opposition batsmen back-pedaling.

STEVEN SULLIVAN. Opening bat who totalled 66 runs at 11.0 and always performed capably. Personal best of 26 not out and always got a start, never being dismissed for the dreaded "duck".

GRAHAME RYAN. First season. Performed well with bat and ball, scoring 137 at 17.1 and taking 15 wickets at 6.7. Good fieldman holding 10 catches. Can field in all positions as has good reflexes for close-in and fine throwing arm.

I would like to extend my thanks to Fred Beames who stood in as Coach on two occasions, to Mrs. Clegg who took over the scoring and to John Mertin for his support throughout the season.

NEIL J. RYAN [Coach]

# << TEAM REPORT 10A >>

COACH: Ray Noakes  
MANAGER: Tony Gleeson SCORER: Vi Noakes

AWARD WINNERS \* ALL ROUNDER James Gleeson  
BATTING Gavin Phillips  
BOWLING Mark Noakes  
COACHES AWARD Darren Lees  
MOST IMPROVED Jason Eshman.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MIGHTY 10A's - PREMIERS FOR 1978-79.

Mr. Noakes very kindly asked me to write the Annual team report this year, and I accept the invitation with great pleasure.

Unfortunately Ray was unable to attend many of our matches this year due to business commitments. However, he took great interest in every game and in every player's performance.

His Tuesday afternoon practice sessions were eagerly looked forward to by every boy and his all round influence on their play and attitude to the game was most pleasing.

I'm sure I speak on behalf of every boy and parent associated with the team when I say "THANK YOU TAY - WELL DONE".

A special thanks to Vi Noakes, our scorer, Vi, in my opinion, is the best scorer in the Shire. I deeply appreciate her assistance to me this year. Last, but not least, Peter Noakes who did everything from collecting the flags, putting the gear away to giving me some very good advice at times. Thanks Peter, it would have been very difficult without you.

TEAM PERFORMANCE SUMMARY. The 1978-79 10A team had probably the toughest season I have ever encountered for boys of this age.

There were six teams in the competition and up to the last round before Christmas only two points separated 5 teams. Coming up to the last round, any one of four teams could have won the comp. For Engadine to have won the premiership against such red hot competition must give the boys and everyone connected with the team, a great deal of personal satisfaction and pride. Truly a great performance. The secret, if you like, of our success, was that we based our game on attack - attacking positive cricket. This almost brought us unstuck a couple of times, but on reflection it also won us many games.

OUR BOWLING was good most of the time and occasionally brilliant. Unfortunately and regrettably, not everyone got the chance to bowl. The tightness and importance of every game seemed to dis- tate this state of affairs more than anything else. I believe every boy understood and accepted this position.

OUR BATTING was fantastic. EVERY batsman at some time during the year put together a good score. That was our strength - our batting depth.

OUR FIELDING was fantastic. Quite brilliant. Some of the finest catches I have ever seen on a cricket ground were taken by the boys of this team. The team took 60 catches in 11 rounds of cricket.

#### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SEASON.

\*\*\*\*\* The unbeaten 100 run stand between Darren Lees and Anthony Lovett (Round 4)

\*\*\*\*\* The stunning outright win over the then compe- tition leaders, Sylvania (Round 6)

\*\*\*\*\* Mark Noakes Hat-Trick against Sylvania (Round 6)

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\*\*\*\*\* Gavin Phillips 12 wickets for the match against Sylvania (Round 6)

\*\*\*\*\* That unbelievable outright win over Jennali (Round 9)

\*\*\*\*\* The unbeaten 88 run 10th wicket partnership between Damian Forshaw and Brett Landrigen against Jennali (Round 9)

\*\*\*\*\* Anthony Lovett's 74 against Loftus (Round 10)

\*\*\*\*\* The match winning 5 wickets by "Super Spinner" Christopher Dickman against Loftus (Round 10)

\*\*\*\*\* The 2½ hour, 82 not out by James Gleeson against St. Pats. (Final Round)

There were many other great moments, but just too numerous to include.

#### SUMMARY OF EACH PLAYER'S PERFORMANCE.

CHRIS DICKMAN. Potentially one of the finest leg spin prospects in the Sutherland Shire. Chris has a long way to go yet, but all the evidence is there to suggest that this boy will with the proper guidance, develop into a great bowler. He follows instructions well and is keen to improve his game. A really good team cricketer.

JASON ESHMAN. One of the most improved cricketers in the team. At the start of the season he was more interested in mucking around than playing cricket. But after a little heart-to-heart talk, he started applying himself to his game in a surprising manner. His batting improvement was most pleasing and his fielding brilliant. Great prospect for next season.

DAMIAN FORSHAW. Excellent close to the wicket fieldman. Took 10 catches in the point to gully region. Figured in a match winning, unbeaten 10th wicket stand of 88 against Jennali. A willing and thoughtful cricketer, who is improving every season.

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JAMES GLEESON. For his age, probably one of the best batsmen in the Shire. His technique and temperament were tested many times in the hot seat, number 3 batting spot, where he seldom failed. At his best under pressure. The more desperate the situation, the better James performs. Top scoring under 10 batsmen in the Shire. Took 24 wickets and 5 catches. Excellent fieldsmen. Could go on to the highest levels in cricket.

DARREN LEES. Darren is what is known as a "cricketer's cricketer". That is to say he is an exceptional "team player". He has fine all round ability and his concentration level is very high for a boy so young. A successful opening batsman, close in fieldsmen, substitute wicket-keeper and bowler. Congratulations Darren---a wonderful season.

BRETT LANDRIGAN. Playing only his second season of cricket, this boy has a lot of potential which must be gradually and patiently nurtured. He was very nervous at the start of the season, but to his credit he applied himself to his game in an inspiring manner. Aggressive, yet thoughtful batsman and wonderful fieldsmen.

ANTHONY LOVETT. The best 10 year old wicket-keeper/batsman in the Shire. Dashing opening batsman who loves to get on with the game and get stuck into the bowlers. Anthony has a very positive attitude to cricket which will bring him many further successes in the years to come. Claimed 17 wickets behind the stumps. A valuable asset to any team. A fine season.

GLEN LANGSTON. A real tiger cricketer. Whatever Glen does its boots and all - no half hearted measures. A fine fieldsmen and aggressive batsman who will do well in the years to come if he can learn to control his exuberance just a little. Slow down a bit Glen - defensive batting is important as well you know. Don't try and hit every ball out of the park. A wonderful and courteous little boy. Well done 'Lango'.

GAVIN PHILLIPS. A boy with loads of natural ability and potential. A middle order batsman who can take a bowling attack apart single handed. A mighty hitter of the ball who refuses

to be bogged down by any bowler. Half way through the season Gavin developed a little trouble with his delivery action in his bowling, but was starting to come good again at the end of the season. An effervescent and enthusiastic cricketer, who, together with a couple of other boys in this team, could go on to big things. Congratulations Gavin - a great season.

MARK MOAKES. On his day the best under 10 fast bowler in the Shire. Mark took 29 wickets for the season and never failed to give a 100% effort. There were times when he was hot and tired, he would be asked to bowl just another two more overs flat out - and he would - without hesitation or complaint. A great team player. Rather unlucky batsman this year. But that won't worry him - he knows his day will come. Well done Mark - a great season. A fine young cricketer and a tribute to his cricketing family.

MATTHEW RING. Another boy who never failed to give his best. Matthew applied himself to the very best of his ability at all times. Still has a fair way to go, but he is improving with every game. Looks certain to have a big year next season. Unfortunately injured at school and missed the last two games. Good luck Matthew - see you next year.

CAMERON ROSSITER. A very good batsman and handy bowler - Cameron had quite a good season. A bit nervy at the start of all his innings-this often caused his premature dismissal. But his last two innings showed that he has all the necessary skill and temperament to become a great batsman. Cameron was also injured at School and missed one game, but bravely made himself available for that vital last match against St. Pats. Well done Cameron - we are all proud of you.

AARON ESHMAN. Substitute fieldsmen for the team in the tense second last round against Loftus. Aaron has never played cricket before, yet filled in for us very well when we lost 2 players through injury. Well done.

TONY GLEESON [Manager].

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AWARD WINNERS	* ALL ROUNDER	G. McDonald
	BATTING	N. Gaskell
	BOWLING	D. Perritt
	COACHES AWARD	F. Dalley
	FIELDING AWARD	A. Crenrose

Well all good things have to come to an end and once again the boys cricket season is over, and speaking personally, it was a year I enjoyed immensely as Coach. The boys and parents responded marvelously and towards the end of the season, we were a close knit team, which was very hard to beat.

We had batting strength in depth and the specialist who was always there - such as the determined hard to shift solid bat, the aggressive hit the ball hard player, the patient gentle player, and the windy whoofer (who is in every side), in fact Cyclone Tracy herself.

Also our bowling department was strong with the speed and direction of Thomson and Lillie, the quiet of an Indian spin bowler, the prowess of Don Tallon or Marsh behind the stumps and Harvey in the covers.

In fact, we were a team who was pulling together without personal glory, but for the honour of playing in a good side. I was proud of them all. They were all equal.

CHARLES GASKELL [Coach]

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AWARD WINNERS	* ALL ROUNDER	T. Stewart
	BATTING	P. Chudleigh
	BOWLING	A. Lee
	FIELDING AWARD	C. Payne
	COACHES AWARD	B. Elworthy

The 100 group of boys this year were very young for this grade, and struggled early to compete with their older opponents. Severe drubbings early in the season tested their confidence but by the end of the season they had developed into a very good team which beat the third placed side and gave the leaders a fright. A feature of the side was the interest they maintained and the refusal to give in till the last. Many friendships were gained and the boys were always cheerful in their approach to a game, regardless of the situation.

All the boys improved their cricket dramatically over the season, and benefited greatly from the constant participation. The greatest weakness was our catching and fielding, which lost us many games, but even this area of the game was getting together towards the season's end.

Many thanks are due to the parents of this team who supported the team admirably and provided the spark required for improvement to occur. Congratulations to everyone concerned with this side, for a most successful season. It was a pleasure to coach this group of boys.

PERSONAL PARS.

P. CHUDLEIGH. Peter scored 166 runs, 10 wickets and most catches - 7. Peter improved greatly all season and performed well often with both bat and ball while his fielding and catching made great strides from last year. His 38 against Sylvania and 35 against St. John Bosco were superb efforts. Can develop into a sound cricketer.

B. ELWORTHY. Barry was an inspiration to this team with his determination to succeed against overwhelming odds. He took 5 wickets and continually tried hard against the very large boys he had to combat. Known as the secret weapon, Barry lifted all his team mates to perform greater deeds. Thanks Barry.

M. GLASS. Michael improved greatly from last year and performed well with both bat and ball. A determined defensive innings against Sylvania and bowling effort against Como were highlights.

D. HERRICK. Danny (Barry's Twin) was always trying hard to keep up with the older boys and benefited greatly from the season. Still has to learn to bowl the ball and his batting improved greatly, and he always kept trying.

A. KELLY. Andrew provided another example of a very determined boy who never gave in. His bowling improved dramatically over the season and his batting (which did not produce the runs in games) also improved. In particular his short innings under pressure in the last game against Bosco was superb, and won us the match. His fielding needs more work.

A. LEE. Aaron was a dramatic improver from last year and performed well regularly with both bat and ball. Some superb hard hitting digs, his 41 against Gymer Bay and 26 against Sylvania were gems. In addition he bowled very well (13 wickets) and took some great catches.

H. LEES. Hilton is one of the two best opening bats in this side. He plays best against the faster bowling in defence, and in this role he excelled. Scored 55 runs and played match winning digs against Bosco, 19, and Sylvania, 15.

H. MARTIN. Mitchell blended into this team easily and happily involved himself in all aspects of the game. Improved both his batting and bowling over the season and always struggled hard against the bigger opponents.

C. PAYNE. Christian was one of the stars of this side. A very capable all rounder, outstanding as a fieldman, an aggressive batsman and regular bowler. Has the ability to develop into a sound cricketer. His 64 runs against Greys Point was superb hitting.

G. PHILLIPS. Glen always enjoyed the game he played regardless of the outcome. Had some notable performances including 16 and 2 for 2 against Sylvania. Improved his bowling over the season, although was very nervous in his batting at the season's end.

T. STEWART. Tod had a tremendous season with this side and starred in all departments. In particular his batting was consistently top class and he is capable of developing into a very good batsman. Tod also took 14 wickets and fielded brilliantly all season. Congratulations Tod for an outstanding effort.

B. THORNTONWAITE. Bart was one of the great improvers over the season and finished as a fine opening batsman, a capable bowler and sound fieldman. Enjoys wicket-keeping and is capable of developing into a useful cricketer.

D. WHITE. Darren was always a great trier and particularly improved his bowling over the season. Played some useful innings and always fielded well. Fitted in very well with the rest of the side.

GRAHAM CHUDLEIGH [Coach]

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