



KINCUMBER-AVOOCA CRICKET CLUB



PRESIDENT'S REPORT SEASON 2022-2023

Season Highlights

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I would like to thank the following people for their efforts.

Veronica Brown as the club secretary. Continual last minute ground changes, an abundance of correspondence received daily and sent out, plus the ongoing improvement to female cricket for our club.

Danny Rowe, as the club treasurer, set up new systems using Xero, allowed me to spend on items most of the time, kept our finances in a great position and did the role solo this season.



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Ashley Roche, the club coach and Vice President, attended delegate meetings, representing the clubs interest first, running training and vital captains meetings throughout the season and providing advice to new captains where required.

Stephen Milne, junior coordinator, set up the junior sides, all 20 of them, recruited coaches, set up grading and managed any issues throughout the season. Also assisted in delegate meetings when either I or Ash were unavailable.

Rod Ursem, blaster coordinator, also set up the junior sides and recruited coaches, runs the best Blaster format upon the coast and probably the State.

John Buchanan, grants coordinator, was successful in applying for a number of grants this season which will see improvements to the Erina Oval nets, new club gazebos and vital playing equipment.

General committee members Daniel Heuston, Luke Sullivan, Stephen McCabe, Nathan Aulsebrook and Daniel Nugent, for their vital input at meetings. The social committee which included these people and Shaun Robertson for their planning and running of the table tennis night. Nathan Aulsebrook for his social media role.

Stephen Selman for his help in setting up the season, assistance in PlayHQ management and website management.

Rod Masters and Ian Moad as the club patrons.

The club AGM will be held on Sunday 28 May at 11.30am at the ELC, followed by watching the Erina Eagles RL club play next door. Looking once again for people to help run this great club.

2022/23 started with a lot of challenges. Wet weather was forecast to affect the start of the season and the first weekend both T20s were washed out. We even bought a new super sopper just in case. The wet weather had already affected the beloved Erina Oval. Due to the copious amounts of wet weather and footy during the off season, Central Coast Council decided to relay half the square with new grass. This effectively only allowed us use of 3 pitches for most of the season. Sully did a great job in getting up to three games of cricket a weekend on the available pitches. Eventually the rest of the square was used. Least we had a home ground, due to council upgrades, other clubs did not have a home grounds at all and were forced to play Sunday cricket for half the season for their second grade sides.

The other major challenge was MyCricket was no more. NSW was selected to implement a new system called PlayHQ. Steve Selman and I attended some meetings with the association and other clubs and set up the system from scratch. Steve set up guides on how to register and we answered multiple enquiries on how to register and the most important issue to most, where are my



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stats? Then the live scoring system was our next issue. In the end we were able to register 74 senior males, 9 senior females, 137 junior males, 7 junior females. Of these juniors, 29 males and 6 females played senior cricket. The club also has the most successful baster program on the coast with 37 Junior Blasters and 46 Master Blaster.

We also had a number of 1st and 2nd grade players retire, have a year off or move on so had the challenge of replacing them. The club ended up having Male teams in 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 6th, 7th, T20, Masters over 40s and Glen Rowland Shield. We had a Women's 1st grade team, Male and Female Youth League teams, two under 16 teams, an under 14 Stage 3 team, four under 14 stage 2 teams, five under 12 teams, a girl stage 2 team and three under 10 teams. There were six Master Blaster teams too. At the end of the season, we can look back and say we have probably exceeded some expectations and missed out on some opportunities as we were represented in 7 out of 9 junior finals and 7 out of 13 senior finals. We finished with grand final wins in Under 14 stage 2, Girls stage 2, Male Youth League and 7th grade. We won the junior club championship, the club administration award and came 5th in senior club championship. Also of note was the following persons who represented the club at rep level.

Liam Roche Under 17 NSW Country
Zakary Graham Under 17 NSW Country
Glen Giddings NSW over 50s
Darren Shaw NSW over 50s
Baily Lidgard Under 19 NSW country squad
Michael Pate NSW over 40s
Shaun Robertson NSW over 40s
Scott Jarvis NSW and Australian over 40s

Now for the awards, for those who do not know, KACC bases their awards as follows:-

Batting: 200+ runs (Then based on average)

Bowling: 20 wickets (Then based on average)

Fielding: Most Catches/R-O/Stumpings total

Champion: 1 run = 1 point, 1 wicket = 10 points, 1 catch/RO/Stump = 10 points

5 wicket awards: Only for One Day games - Otherwise 6 wickets required for 2-day games.

First Grade

1st Grade – led by Daniel Heuston, playing all two day cricket, finished with 6 wins from their 9 games. 1st grade finished on 71 points, finishing behind The Entrance (97.5), Northern Power (86.5) and Terrigal Matcham (73). They beat Terrigal Matcham in the SF but lost to Northern Power in the PF. Daniel was a standout with the bat but with the ball it was Bailey Lidgard and Michael Pate that were best, with the highlight seeing Michael Pate being named in the CCCA 1st grade side of the year. Not sure how Daniel missed out on that.



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Player and Stephen Milne Medal	Bailey Lidgard: 610
Batting	Daniel Heuston: 392 @ 35.64
Bowling	Michael Pate: 30 @ 10.3
Fielding	Daniel Heuston: 9 catches, 1 Run-out

Women's First Grade

Led by Sarah Perkins and Veronica Brown, the side had a challenging season against strong competition playing on turf wickets. Although the results did not go our way, we can be proud that Sophie McCrae was named CCCA 1st Grade Women's Champion Player, CCCA 1st Grade Bowling award (25 wickets) and 1st Grade Women's team of the year, with Scarlet Sheridan was also named in the CCCA 1st Grade Women's team of the year. Hopefully we can build on these two performances next season.

Player and Veronica Brown Medal	Sophie McCrae: 736
Batting	Sophie McCrae: 426 @ 32.77
Bowling	Sophie McCrae: 25 @ 11.52
Fielding	Scarlett Sheridan: 9 catches

T20

Led by Dan Heuston in everyone's favorite Thursday night comp. The team use some marquee players from Northern Districts in Chad Soper, Jayden Camp and Will Coffey play plus some new fella named Jack Heuston from Easts. We finished with 4 wins, 2 losses and a tie from the 7 games played and ended up 4th. We lost a close SF to The Entrance who ended up being the T20 champions. Once again a stand out with the bat was Dan Heuston. This time it was a young gun in Zakary Graham who was best with the ball. The club was able to use this format to give opportunities to young players to play on turf.

Player	Daniel Heuston: 317
Batting	Daniel Heuston: 207 @ 29.57
Bowling	Zakary Graham: 8 @ 8.38
Fielding	Daniel Heuston: 6 Cts, 1 Run-out.

Second Grade

Led by Luke Sullivan, also played two day cricket, finished second on the ladder, with 6 wins, 2 losses and 2 draws from the 9 games behind Terrigal Matcham, who they proceeded to beat in the SF to progress to the Grand Final. Unfortunately, it was a repeat of the previous season, with the team losing their Grand Final against Narara Wyoming. Sully and the team should be very proud of their season as a lot of young players were used throughout the season and played in the GF. Highlight of the season was Bryce Birks 10 wickets in an Innings against Warnervale with Nugget's with 3 tons and the CCCA 2nd grade batting award a close second.



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Player	Daniel Nugent: 442
Batting	Daniel Nugent: 392 @ 43.56
Bowling	Luke Sullivan: 20 @ 9.8
Fielding	Safin Robertson: 8 catches, 1 Run-out.

Third Grade

Led by a new captain in Steve Norris, finished 4th on the ladder with 10 wins, 6 losses and a tie. Sets a new record with the number of players used with 42 different players used. Steve led from the front with the bat and in the field but it was a dark horse brought up from 4th grade who stole the batting award from him due to the fact our club rewards the best batting average. Noah Watterson had a great season and ended up second in the CCCA player of the year award for 3rds.

Player	Noah Watterson: 509
Batting	Simon Schmotz: 273 @ 30.33
Bowling	Noah Watterson: 22 @ 15.32
Fielding	Stephen Norris: 12 catches

Fourth Grade

Led by another new captain in Leigh Doran, who was great with the bat and took a hat trick, only lost 1 game in the regular season. Simon Schmotz started off great with a Ton in his first ever innings with the club and continued well through the season. The team had Andrew McCrae and Adam Richardson leading the bowling attack. Unfortunately, the team went out in straight sets after losing the SF and PF and were unable to defend their title.

Player	Leigh Doran: 577
Batting	Simon Schmotz: 241 @ 48.2
Bowling	Andrew McCrae: 25 @ 9.04
Fielding	Jacob Degeling: 12 catches, 1 Run-out

Sixth Grade

Led by Alex Brown, finished 5th, winning 5 games but only just missing out still in the finals. Two 5 wicket hauls by Tom Ohlrich was the highlight with Jon Horsnell also winning the CCCA fielding award for 5th grade.

Player	Jarrold Ursem: 580
Batting	Jarrold Ursem: 420 @ 30.00
Bowling	Tom Ohlrich: 25 @ 10.00
Fielding	Jon Horsnell: 18 catches, 2 Run-out

Seventh Grade

Led by Seb Beiers and Travis Cock, this side was the standout for 7th grade and finished with 14 wins from 17 games. There were three father and son duos and I fully expect some regrading next season. They were victorious in their Grand Final. Stand out was Ben Payne who was the 7th grade CCA champion player as well as the 7th grade champion bowler and the best player in the Grand Final win. Shane Knights average was better than most players batting aggregate.

Player	Ben Payne: 1010
Batting	Shane Knight: 523 @ 174.33
Bowling	Ben Payne: 32 @ 9.59
Fielding	Ramsay Gifford-Cock: 12 catches, 1 Run-out, 3 stumpings

Masters

Daniel Nugent was the captain of the Masters side. We gave it a good run with wins over Brisbane Water, Southern Spirt and Terrigal Matcham. We were valiant in defeat against Narara Wyoming and in the SF against The Entrance, we were not far off. It was great to see a couple of new players to the side and fingers crossed next season we can go a couple better.

Batting	Shaun Robertson	118 runs @ 59
Bowling	Brett Hansen	6wickets @ 12.83
Fielding	Daniel Nugent	6 catches, 1 run out
Player	Daniel Nugent	163 Points

Glenn Rowlands Shield

Tyson Robertson led the Glen Rowlands team, with this competition turning into a One Day Comp on a Sunday. Our club adopted a process of picking young players to help expose and identify fringe turf players and play basically an under 21 squad with some senior players. They managed some great victories, winning all 5 games against 1st grade teams from Brisbane Water, Northern Power, Southern Spirt, Terrigal Matcham and Narara Wyoming. Unfortunately, we lost to the eventual GRS Champions, Warnervale in the GF. However this is given some young guys an opportunity to play on turf and show what they can do.

Player	Daniel Heuston 304
Batting	Daniel Heuston 204 @ 51.00
Bowling	Evan Campbell 10 @ 6.4
Fielding	Lewis Gifford-Cock 4 Cts 1 stumping

Bowling and Batting Achievements

100's

- Daniel Heuston 1st Grade: 109 vs Wyong CC



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- Daniel Nugent 2nd Grade: 129 vs Terrigal Matcham CC, 111 vs Southern Spirit CC, 102 vs Wyong CC
- Bryce Bush 2nd Grade: 105 vs Warnervale CC
- Leigh Doran 4th Grade: 111 vs Warnervale CC
- Simon Schmotz 4th Grade: 101 vs Warnervale CC

5 Wicket, 6 Wicket Innings or 10 wickets match

- Bailey Lidgard 1st Grade: 6/25 vs Terrigal Matcham CC and 6/30 vs Southern Spirit CC
- Michael Pate 1st Grade: 6/35 vs Terrigal Matcham CC
- Bryce Birks 2nd Grade: 10/28 vs Warnervale CC
- Adam Richardson 4th Grade: 5/16 vs Warnervale CC
- Tom Ohlrich 6th Grade: 5/10 vs The Entrance CC, 5/23 vs Brisbane Water CC
- Ben Payne 7th Grade: 5/24 vs Narara CC
- Ethan Payne: 7th grade 6/19 vs Wyong CC
- Sebastian Beier: Masters 5/19 vs Southern Spirit CC

Hat Trick

- Leigh Doran Vs Warnervale (4th Grade)
- Sophie McCrae Vs Wyong (Womens 1st Grade)
- Ben Payne vs Southern Spirit (7th grade)

CCCA District Award Winners

- Sophie McCrae – CCCA 1st Grade Women's Champion Player, CCCA 1st Grade Bowling award (25 wickets) and 1st Grade Women's team of the year
- Scarlet Sheridan – CCCA 1st Grade Women's team of the year
- Michael Pate – CCCA 1st Grade Mens Team of the Year
- Liam Roche – CCCA Male Young Cricketer of the Year
- Ben Payne – CCCA 7th Grade Champion Player and CCCA Bowling Award 7th grade (32 wickets)
- Daniel Nugent – CCCA Batting Award 2nd grade 392 runs and CCCA Fielding Award Masters Over 40s (4 dismissals)
- Jon Horsnell – CCCA Fielding award 6th grade (20 dismissals)

Perpetual Awards

- Kevin Jarvis memorial trophy Synthetic Encouragement Award – Lewis Gifford-Cock
- Synthetic Cricketer of the Year – Ben Payne
- Bill Tobin Turf Encouragement Award – Alex Cutting
- Perc Henderson Turf Cricketer of the Year – Daniel Heuston presented by Ian Henderson



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- Kevin English Memorial Trophy Club Person of the Year – Stephen and Lyn Sullivan – presented by Frank and Ros O'tool



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Juniors

18 teams with 9 finalist and 3 premiers but most of all Junior Club Champions along with the Club of the year were we took out first place and a financial reward. All this only happened due to our coaches / Managers & players so well done and thanks to all. To win junior club championships this is a tremendous effort by all involved.

Special mention to our junior & master blaster format we ran again at Erina Oval. If anyone got a chance to see this in action its what's club strives for and succession plan for our club. Our senior teams have a large % of kids who started here on a Saturday morning. Our feedback is that NSW now benchmark what we have done and feedback we are the second biggest in AUST so well done to Rod Ursem, Steve & Lyn Sullivan for ground setup & canteen plus Steph Lavery and our club Patrons Rod Masters & Ian Moad who continue to support our club. Also, to our Blaster workers during the year Nick Rowe, Alex Cutting, Sanjay Sharma & Austin Milne

Blaster Award Winners 2022-2023

- Girls Encouragement Award – Elizabeth Brannan
- Boys Encouragement Award – Ashwin Tandel

Toby Martin Scholarship

Hi all please note we have a very special award presented at our junior presentation named Toby Martin Scholarship Award.

A Little on Toby

Toby Martin loved cricket and he loved being a Griffin, Toby was playing Division 1 u 13's. In November 2018 Toby's life changed for ever when he was diagnosed with a very rare type of Leukemia. His treatment was debilitating and one of the things that buoyed him through treatment was his commitment to getting back on the cricket pitch.

His Griffin's team were incredible, always encouraging, always letting him know his spot in the team was ready and waiting for him whenever he was well enough to play. After months of treatment Toby did return to the pitch, he wasn't as strong but he had passion, drive and wonderful team mates that encouraged him to no end, that team was really something special.

After two relapses and exhausting all treatment options Toby died on July 3 2020. Toby was courageous and brave in his fight to survive, he always had hope, he loved cricket and his motto to living a fulfilling life was Strength, Courage and Perseverance. Sean Abbott wore his Sydney Sixers jersey with just this slogan when raising funds to support children living with cancer in 2019.

In memory of Toby and his love of cricket and of the Griffins, the Toby Martin Scholarship was launched at the end of the 2020/2021 Cricket Season.



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Who is eligible: All players up to U 15's at Kincumber/Avoca

Purpose: Reward as Griffen player who displays the traits of; Strength, Courage and Perseverance throughout the season, and who bloody loves cricket

This award is not about being the best in the team, it is about loving the cricket, enjoying being part of the team, showing up every week and doing your best no matter how well you play.

This is an award to recognise a player that displays the traits Toby held so close to his heart,

What is it: Kincumber/Avoca will waive registration cost for the nominated player and they will receive Cricket Kit and personal training sessions to the value of \$1000

This is a special award that Kincumber Avoca Griffins are very proud to provide to one player each year.

AND WHILST WE HAD A COUPLE OF GREAT APPLICANTS THE WINNER IS IN THE SECOND SESSION

A LITTLE ON THE WINNER

This young man has had a pretty challenging year 2022/ 2023 and without embarrassing this humble boy too much

He faced all his challenges with such strength and little fuss!

Even the nurses were surprised how quickly he wanted discharged after being so sick on arrival in 2022

And he said "I've got to get home so I can play cricket this weekend only missing one week" with him and his parents still getting used to all that was ahead and the whirlwind week they had had it was back to cricket asap!

That first game back one parent said "wow..well now we know something was up with him as look at him go now" taking several wickets and all round a fabulous first game back in all facets of the game

Cricket is everything to this young man and he supports his many mates he has met through cricket always patting those on the back who do well and encouraging those who haven't had a good day out there

A wonderful team player with a big heart

Reminding all the kids here we should be grateful for every day and good health is everything!!

Sport keeps people going when times are tough that's for sure!

Toby loved his cricket and had a huge heart and we thank him for reminding us each season of the joy this sport brings us

Thanks Toby this club remembers you fondly

THE DESERVING WINNER For 2022/23 is MORGAN CAMPBELL

PERPETUAL AWARDS



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Non Comp Player of the Year - Ashton Sims

38.20 p/g - 202 runs, 12 wickets @ 6.58

Intermediate Player of the Year - Harrison Verth

746 points - 561 runs @ 46.75, 9 wickets @ 14.78, 5 catches

Intermediate Encouragement Award - Callum Toms

533 points - 233 runs @ 58.25, 14 wickets @ 7.79, 9 catches

Encouragement Award - Alex Gibson

599 points - 304 runs 25.33, 15 wickets at 16.00, 7 catches

Female Encouragement Award - Olivia Mitchell

564 points - 334 runs @ 83.50, 14 wickets @ 14.00, 2 catches

Intermediate Player of the Year – Narthana Sivasampaven

996 points – 676 runs @ 225.33, 18 wickets @ 6.72, 5 catches

Female Junior Cricketer of the Year - Sophie McCrae

534 points - 319 runs @ 63.80, 11 wickets @ 11.73, 5 catches

Player of the Year - Hugh Wheeler

674 points - 349 runs @ 34.90, 19 wickets @ 6.21, 4 catches

Presidents Award – Paul Cutting

Continued Managerial services to teams from Milo cricket to Youth League