



Annual Report 2023/24





East Sandringham Cricket Club Annual Report 2023/24

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Junior Coordinator	Michael De Kretser

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Senior Men's program

It was a season of consolidation for our Senior Men's program.

Our first XI experienced a frustrating season that ended with us finishing the season in 5th spot, just out of the finals. Along the way there were some fantastic results, including beating the previously undefeated Bentleigh ANA, and some disappointingly close losses which probably cost us a finals berth.

I want to commend the First XI Captain, Ben Pryor, on an outstanding first season as skipper. Ben will learn a lot from the season gone, which along with his batting, will be great for the Club. I also congratulate he and Henry Munnings, who also had a breakout season with the bat, on both making the SECA team of the year. Well done lads.

Our second XI came agonisingly close to a premiership, eventually losing the decider by 2 wickets. It was a fantastic effort from our boys, who after being 4/30 odd early, recovered to get to 9/212 with Chris Benn (60), Ollie Hamilton (35) and skipper Peter Taylor (40*) contributing in the lower order. The lads fought really hard and were past in the penultimate over wafter having CUCC Kings 8 down, Hamish McCartney taking 3/23.

Whilst it was a disappointing end to the season, the club is set up really well with no less than 7 players aged 22 or under, a further 3 also representing the Club's under 18's as well.

Of the remaining Men's Senior team's, this season's Fourth XI, led by Peter Mannix rallied in the heat to take out the I Grade Premiership! Ably led on the day by Nick Buck, the boys knocked up 3/173 from their 35 overs, Mick Edwards and Adam "Spudda" Sikora both retiring on 50. We then restricted Elwood to 9/158, with Rod Oldham taking 2/18. Man of the Match was Spudda with his 50 off 49 balls changing the game. Well done to all those fellas, especially since they came so close to saluting last season.

Senior Women's program

Our Black Stripes team (1sts) finished the season just outside the top 4, with some great performances throughout the year. The batting of Rhonda Fitzgerald (247 runs at 123.5), Fi Cozens (262 runs at 52.4) and Alysia Coventry (224 runs at 44.8) was outstanding all year, and the bowling of Grace Campbell and Karen Geissel was frugal as ever. Well done to Fi Cozens for her first season as captain as well, she did a great job and team was competitive in every game, whilst playing with great spirit!

Our White Stripes (2nds) finished the season strongly with 3 wins from their last 4 matches played. We had several new and junior players in this team throughout the year, and to finish so strongly, will hopefully give us momentum leading into next season. Well done to Jenni Pilcher for leading this team throughout the season, great effort Jen!

It was truly great to see so many of our U/17 Girls playing in both our senior women's teams throughout the year, especially the Black Stripes. I know our senior players loved having the girls as part of the team, so lets hope that trend also continues next year.

Junior Program

This year saw a record number of teams represent our Club from u/12 rookies right through to U/18 boys.

Congratulations to Nick Wells and his U/12C team on defeating Bentleigh Uniting CC and taking out the premiership! Fantastic effort.



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Our U/17 Girls also made the grand final after having a stellar season, but unfortunately fell just short at the final hurdle. That has been a great team to watch all year, under the tutelage of Shane Hesline, and it's clear to see the improvement in the girls throughout the season. Make sure you're all back next year girls to give it another shake at winning that flag!

This season also sees the retirement of Club Junior stalwart, Michael DeKretser. For more than 25 years, Deeks has been coordinating the juniors at our Club, and has grown it from 3 teams, to 11 teams and 60+ Junior blasters! Our Club's success is very much down to the strength of our Junior program, and it is not lost on me as to the importance of Deeks in that process. On behalf of everyone at ESCC and myself, I thank you Deeks for all of your efforts over those years! Cheers mate.

Award winners

I want to congratulate all players that received awards at their respective presentation ceremonies at the end of the year. It's fantastic recognition of a year of hard work and effort, and you should all be proud of your achievements.

I would like to especially mention a couple of players in particular:

Henry Munnings took out the Neil Phelan trophy as the Men's Club Champion for the year,

Ben Pryor won the John Jones medal, capping off a great year, especially being his first year as the captain of our Men's 1st XI.

Fiona Cozens was the Club Champion for our Women's program after a very consistent season with the bat and the ball.

Sponsors

I would like to again thank all of the generous sponsors of our Club, who's support can simply not be underestimated.

A special thanks again to **Belle Property Group – Sandringham** and in particular, **Ryan Castles** for taking up the opportunity to be our Club's platinum sponsor, when we were in a jam earlier in the season.

Ryan is long-time supporter of our Club and we are ecstatic to have he, and his colleagues at **Belle Property Group – Sandringham** on board as a platinum sponsor for this season and into the future! Please make sure you give Ryan a call for any advice on selling your property, or if you're looking at buying in the area.

Financial Performance

I refer members to the Treasurer's report below, but I am pleased to report a much stronger financial performance by the Club throughout the year, by posting a small loss of around \$3,000, compared to a \$30,000 loss in season 2022/23.

Of course, the previous year's result was mainly due to our 75th Anniversary celebrations, and although we'd have liked to have finished the year with a profit, there were some reasons that I think should be considered as major contributors to the loss. These include:

- One-off investments in Frogbox and our "Point of Sale" system (Approx \$5k)
- No social coteries in operation during 2023/24
- The withdrawal of our major sponsor on the eve of the season (\$10k), and
- Holding our end of season celebration/presentation night off-site (ie no bar sales revenue)



Should I be re-elected as president I, along with other returning committee members, are looking to re-invigorate some key revenue streams for the coming season. These include:

- \$100 Social Membership (Incl Stubby holder and 8 complimentary drinks)
- \$400 Platinum Social Membership (including exclusive cap, stubby holder and your first drink free every visit, President's day)
- Holding a Season Launch at Shane Warne Oval, on October 5th. This will include a practice match for our senior men's team, and a luncheon held in the rooms)
- Seek more local sponsorship, not just for cash, but also for prizes that could be raffled or awarded.
- Implementing a Social Committee to assist in the organisation and coordination of social activities throughout the season, including specific events for Junior parents.

It is my firm belief that the successful implementation of these elements will return the club to a profit making position in 2024/25.

Off-season

I want to highlight a few other things that are happening in preparation for Season 2024/25:

- We take tenancy at the new facility in Holloway Rd, Sandringham.
- We are seeking funding to upgrade our scoreboard at Shane Warne Oval.
- We are being active in recruiting players for next season, and that will continue throughout the winter.
- A focus on growing our girls/women's program even further, giving us at least 1 extra team in junior girls, and a larger squad of players for our senior teams.
- With Play HQ now up and running, season registrations will open from July 1.

Thank you

Thank you to all my Committee members for your tireless efforts throughout the year, especially at the end of the season in preparation for handover. Your efforts are greatly appreciated and often go unnoticed. From myself personally, thank you to each of you.





TREASURER'S REPORT

This year the club had 294 registered members, contributing \$57,348 in membership fees.

The club spent \$95,772 to run its cricket competition. This includes all expenses to get our **20** teams on the field from coaching, uniforms, umpiring, balls and equipment, affiliation fees etc This means a deficit of \$27,685 which we have to cover.

We made \$29,691 profit from the canteen and bar this season, which just covered the cost of the cricket competition.

In addition to running the cricket competition we incurred a further \$26,873 for other costs which includes the running of the club house (eg. gas, electricity & water), the pitch replacement, our investment in Frogbox and our new payment system, internet and other overheads along those lines.

We are grateful for our sponsors who, together with grant funding, contributed \$25,151 to assist in covering those indirect costs.

In summary, we made a very small loss of \$3,109 this year and we ended the season with a bank balance of \$87,000.

J Pilcher and T Davies



Financial Report - 30 April 2024

	FY24	FY23 (Last Yr)	
Sponsorship & Grants	\$ 25,151.44	\$ 36,949.36	-32%
Cricket Competition	\$ (27,685.73)	\$ (65,880.68)	-58%
Bar & Canteen	\$ 29,094.26	\$ 39,282.78	-26%
Events	\$ (2,806.26)	\$ (19,359.68)	-86%
Other	\$ (26,863.01)	\$ (21,092.42)	27%
Net Profit	\$ (3,109.30)	\$ (30,100.64)	-90%
Bank Balance	\$ 86,997.79	\$ 83,307.09	4%
Cash Movement:	\$ 3,690.70	\$ (41,928.22)	

made up of:

Net profit for the year	\$ (3,109.30)	\$ (30,100.64)
Last years accruals - (paid for)/received this year	\$ 6,800.00	\$ (5,027.58)
Last years accruals - paid for/(received) next year	\$ -	\$ (6,800.00)
	\$ 3,690.70	\$ (41,928.22)

Membership No.s	FY24	FY23 (Last Yr)	
- Senior Mens	71	68	4%
- Senior Womens	21	21	0%
- Juniors	142	129	10%
- Blasters	60	60	0%
	294	278	6%



AWARDS

AWARD	WINNER
John Jones Medal	Ben Pryor
Neil Phelan Club Champion	Henry Munnings
ESCC Womens Club Champion	Fiona Cozens
Jack Jennings Award	Griff Murphy
Life Membership	Nil
Hayden Earle Best Clubman Award	Michael De Kretser
Michael De Kretser Junior Club Champion	Nathaniel Desmond





SENIOR INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

TEAM	BATTING	BOWLING
First XI	Ben Pryor 489 runs @ 40.75	Nathan Walker 21 wickets @ 15.52
Second XI	Chris Benn 491 runs @ 44.64	Jack Grenda 28 wickets @ 12
Third XI	Best Sukarom 122 runs @ 15.25	Luca Hamilton 11 wickets @ 13.64
Fourth XI	Mick Edwards 399 runs @ 99.75	Andy Pryor 15 wickets @ 15.53
Fifth XI	Nick Wells 200 runs @ 33.33	Dan Gatt 18 wickets @ 16.00
Women's Black Stripes	Fiona Cozens 262 Runs @ 52.4	Grace Campbell 8 wkts @ 25.88
Women's White Stripes	Jenni Pilcher 133 @ 66.5 Avg	Jasmyn Burns 6 wkts @ 7.67





JUNIOR INDIVIDUAL AWARDS:

Team	Batting	Bowling	Award from Coach
U/18 Boys	Will Lourie 148 runs @ 148	Oakley Ayles 8 wickets @ 9.88	Eliot Jurdukian MVP
U/17 Girls	Caitlin Tindall 243 runs @ 121.5	Lyla Sinclair 8 wickets @ 11.75	
U16B Central	Nate Desmond 232 runs @ 58	Jack Oliver 8 wickets @ 13.13	Christian Desmond Best Fielder
U/16C South	Samuel Malic 180 runs @ 45	Henry Ramsden 5 wickets @ 20	Emmett Baker Best All Rounder
U/14 B Central	Massimo Cotton-Stapleton 175 runs @ 58.33	Thomas Oldham 7 wickets @ 13.43	Jett Dodge Best 1 st Year Player
U/14 C Central	William Morley 71 runs @ 35.5	Clinton McDonald 6 wickets @ 9.5	Max Ruffell Most Improved
U/12 Premier	William Henebery 1342 runs @ 26.4	Charlie Nagle 7 wickets @ 5.14	
U/12C Central	Joben Kruger 169 runs @ 169	Leo Wells 7 wickets @ 5.14	Evan Tinsley Best All Rounder
U/12 C North	Miles Butler 66 runs @ 22	Ethan Nel 6 wickets @ 10.33	Ashton O'Brien Fielding Award
U/12 Rookies Saturday	Charlie Martin	Zac Soulsby	Leo Innes Best All Rounder
U/12 Rookies Sunday – Team 1	Lachlan Henebery	James Doyle	Jasper Pennell Best Catch



U/12 Rookies Sunday – Team 2	Boston Halas	Harvey Wagner	Mitchell McDonald Most Improved
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JUNIOR CLUB REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS

Anna Burgon
Isla Mattsson
Lyla Sinclair
Caitlin Tindall
Spencer Buck
Oliver Dola
Ethan Clark
Daniel Wells
Beau Dickson
Nate Desmond
Will Lourie





LIFE MEMBERS

LIFE MEMBER	YEAR	LIFE MEMBER	YEAR	LIFE MEMBER	YEAR
N Francis	1979/80	D Beggs	1999/00	G Martyn	2020/21
R Cantlon	1980/81	G Phelan	2000/01	P Bennett	2020/21
G Cummings	1981/82	P Pledger	2001/02	B Bennett	2020/21
J West	1981/82	R Murphy	2002/03	D Latham	2020/21
L Cantlon	1981/82	C Kitchen	2003/04	G Diggle	2021/22
T Stephens	1981/82	S Campbell	2004/05	P Fletcher	2021/22
A DeLuca	1982/83	S Murphy	2005/06		
P Cafarella	1983/84	S Gray	2005/06		
R Hockett	1984/85	B King	2009/10		
D Cafarella	1985/86	J Ross	2010/11		
T Murley	1986/87	A Duddy	2012/13		
K Pitt	1987/88	L Dallas	2012/13		
L Head	1988/89	L Manning	2015/16		
P Mannix	1989/90	K Duddy	2016/17		
J Jones	1990/91	M Jenkin	2016/17		
B Coldrey	1991/92	Ms T Ransom	2018/19		
M McKiernan	1992/93	B Bailey	2018/19		
A Billings	1993/94	S Polinelli	2018/19		
G Bell	1994/95	M Bennett	2019/20		
A Manning	1996/95	R Knight	2019.20		
M DeKretser	1997/98	S Inglis	2019.20		
R Barker	1998/99	M Devereaux	2020/21		



EAST SANDRINGHAM CRICKET CLUB LIFE MEMBERSHIP POLICY

Life Membership is the highest award available to recognize the exceptional contribution of individuals to the East Sandringham Cricket Club. It is therefore only to be awarded in exceptional circumstances.

Nomination for Life Membership

- 1/ Nominations for life membership can come from any ESCC member
- 2/ Nominations must be made in writing to the ESCC secretary. The nominations should include reasons for the person being nominated. i.e. years played, exceptional service etc.
- 3/ Nominations must be received by the end of February and will be forwarded to the panel for review in the March committee meeting
- 4/ The Life Membership panel will consist of the sitting ESCC committee

Award Criteria

ESCC has 2 awards criteria for life membership.

1. CRITERIA #1 - Seasons played at ESCC.

- A club member who has played 25 years of cricket at ESCC including senior and junior games shall be awarded automatic life membership. - The nominee must be at least 35 years old - The person must be nominated as stated above, however once nominated, life membership is automatic. 2. CRITERIA #2

A club member who has provided outstanding, dedicated and meritorious service to ESCC over an extended period of time. This can include on field and off field service or a combination of both. Examples of these are, serving on the committee, providing ongoing sponsorship for a prolonged period, junior and senior coaching, scoring, and general help around the club. This would be voted on by the life membership panel that consists of the ESCC sitting committee. The vote will be passed with a two-thirds majority

Removal of life membership.

Life Membership can be revoked for serious indiscretions that could reflect poorly on ESCC's standing within the community. The seriousness of the indiscretion would be assessed by the sitting ESCC committee. If deemed necessary, the status of the life member will be voted on and life membership removed with a two thirds majority vote.

Benefits of life membership

A Life Member of the East Sandringham Cricket Club will be presented with a badge at the Club Presentation Night to recognize and commemorate his or her significant contribution to the Club. A Life Member of the East Sandringham Cricket Club is a fully financial Member of the East Sandringham Cricket Club for life.



PREMIERS - LONGMUIR SHIELD

YEAR	PREMIERS	RUNNER UP
1979/80	East Sandringham Boys Club	Brighton Union
1980/81	East Sandringham Boys Club	Bailey Park
1981/82	East Sandringham Boys Club	Brighton Union
1984/85	East Sandringham Boys Club	Brighton Union
1985/86	East Sandringham Boys Club	Bailey Park
1987/88	East Sandringham Boys Club	Brighton Church of Christ
1991/92	East Sandringham Boys Club	Omega
2001/02	East Sandringham Boys Club	Omega
2002/03	East Sandringham Boys Club	Hampton Central
2003/04	East Sandringham Boys Club	Brighton Union
2004/05	East Sandringham Boys Club	Moorabbin West
2005/06	East Sandringham Boys Club	West Bentleigh
2007/08	East Sandringham Boys Club	Hampton Central
2008/09	East Sandringham Boys Club	West Bentleigh
2009/10	East Sandringham Boys Club	Mackie
2011/12	East Sandringham Boys Club	Bentleigh Uniting
2016/17	East Sandringham Cricket Club	Mackie
2018/19	East Sandringham Cricket Club	Brighton Union
2020/21	East Sandringham Cricket Club	Bentleigh Uniting
Total	19	



NEIL PHELAN CLUB CHAMPION

NAME	YEAR	NAME	YEAR
M Scott	1979/80	K Pitt	2000/01
G Pascoe	1980/81	M Jenkin	2001/02
K Pitt	1981/82	A Duddy	2002/03
P Mannix	1982/83	L Dallas	2003/04
K Pitt	1983/84	L Dallas	2004/05
K Pitt	1984/85	A Duddy	2005/06
T Murley	1985/86	B Bennett	2006/07
K Pitt	1986/87	L Dallas	2007/08
K Pitt	1987/88	S Dewhurst	2008/09
K Pitt	1988/89	TBC	2009/10
K Pitt	1989/90	L Manders	2010/11
C Hitchcock	1990/91	G Martyn	2011/12
K Pitt	1991/92	K Pitt	2012/13
K Pitt	1992/93	K Pitt	2013/14
R Murphy	1993/94	TBC	2014/15
K Pitt	1994/95	M Devereaux	2015/16
K Pitt	1995/96	B Hodge	2016/17
K Pitt	1996/97	M Devereaux	2017/18
G Bell	1997/98	B Hampton	2018/19
T Gruber	1998/99	J Warner	2019/20



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NAME	YEAR
M Harris	2021/22
J Munnings	2022/23
H Munnings	2023/24





JOHN JONES MEDAL

NAME	YEAR	NAME	YEAR
G Phelan	1998/99	M Devereaux	2012/13
G Phelan	1999/00	G Martyn	2013/14
A Sterel	2000/01	J Saleem	2014/15
M Jenkin	2001/02	M Devereaux	2015/16
S Campbell	2002/03	B Hodge	2016/17
B Bailey	2003/04	M Devereaux	2017/18
R Devereaux	2004/05	G Martyn	2018/19
D Hiddlestone	2005/06	J Warner	2019/20
S Gray	2006/07	C Diggie	2020/21
L Dallas	2007/08	M Harris	2021/22
A Duddy	2008/09	J Munnings	2022/23
L Dallas	2009/10	B Pryor	2023/24
P Singh	2010/11		
D Corp	2011/12		

