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CREASELINE

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editorial

Hi all and welcome to the 2nd newsletter for the 06/07 season. Well it has certainly been a poor year weather wise, with a number of weekend fixtures called off due to rain either on the day or the day before, sometimes both! I can tell you now that I'm playing President's you certainly appreciate the covers used in the higher grades. I think I played on the wettest, slowest track I've ever seen recently, which makes the hundred scored by Mark Chamberlain in the game all the more impressive.

Although this is mentioned by others in this edition I'd also like to comment on lack of numbers in the clubrooms after a days play. Week after week we're lucky if we see a dozen people in there, a far cry from a few years ago where the place was packed and we enjoyed the team speeches (in particular PK's!) What is more infuriating is the response from the top two teams, who will happily sit in the changing rooms for up to an hour after play before heading home without bothering to venture into the clubrooms. We all lead busy lives, but make the effort to pop in for one, and captains, please encourage your teams to do so.

The 125th Anniversary was a fantastic weekend, and it was great to see some of the old faces, everyone certainly made a great effort to attend. A big congratulations to Rod Cameron and his team for organising the event. Also congratulations to all those chosen in the teams named over the weekend, a real honour. Although it was interesting to hear various people disagreeing with some of the selections, particularly in the 25 years team, but I guess teams chosen in that manner over a period of time will always almost certainly spark some level of discussion.

The performance of the teams on the park has generally been a bit disappointing particularly at the pointy end with the Premier Men and seconds struggling for long parts of the season. As they are the shop window it is important these teams are performing, so lets hope we can finish the season on a high note as the vast majority of the representative players have returned.

Until next time, stay well and see you in the clubrooms...

Jonesy



Mark Chamberlain

pete speaks

The Christmas break is well and truly over and we head into the last 6 weeks with a somewhat patchy playing record so far.

On the competition front, we are leading one Grade - the Premier Women Cup Competition, but a number of other teams are well placed, with 3rd Grade Men looking a hope for a double competition win; 4th Grade looking likely to win while currently lying second, but with games in hand and 6th Grade in second place also with games in hand. 2nd Grade men, 5th Grade men and Presidents men all look good for top 3 finishes. The Senior Men's team however, has had a disappointing season, currently 7th of 8 in the Trophy competition but have had a good run in the cup, just falling short in their semi final on Sunday.

On the administration side of activities, the club is running pretty smoothly, but there are a couple areas of concern.

The first is finance. While subscriptions are coming in better than last year, there are still those who are dragging the chain. The committee decided at its last meeting that any players who have not paid their subs or put an automatic payment in place will not be selected from February onwards. The major offenders in this matter are people who do this each year and this has driven the committee's decision. Apart from the subscription issue, we are not achieving the level of assistance from Gaming Machine Trusts for uniforms and playing equipment that we have in the past or had hoped to have this year and there is a likelihood of a fairly substantial deficit for the year.

The other area of concern relates to the support of the clubrooms after matches. The numbers of recent times have dropped to a level where it is questionable to have the clubrooms and bar facilities available after matches as the costs of operation of the bar far exceed the revenue. This is exacerbated by teams playing at Garrick drinking beer that they have brought in themselves in the dressing rooms and leaving without making any attempt to join the rest of the club members after games. A major improvement is required in this area if we are to continue providing this facility.

On a happier note the 125th anniversary celebrations of Lancaster Park Cricket Club went off very well and apart from the Sunday Club Day which was adversely affected by the weather, all functions were attended by large numbers including many who travelled from around the country and even from Australia to meet up with old team mates. Our thanks go to Rod Cameron and his committee for a magnificent organising effort.

On 16th December a special match was played on Jade Stadium between players from various eras of Lancaster Park cricket including 3 players in their 70's. It was a special event for those who had never played on the main ground at Jade and I know a number of batsmen would like to take that strip away and play on it each week.

I wish all players a successful 2nd half of the season and look forward to catching up with many of you in the next few weeks

Peter Crowhen (President)





reido's report

Despite being called the summer game we have seen a distinct lack of fine weather. As well as losing a number of playing days to inclement weather teams have also had to play several days in adverse conditions. Things can only get better, surely.

Well done to Selena Charteris on her selection to the New Zealand White Ferns alongside captain Haidee Tiffen and Maria Fahey. The team will play in a four-team tournament in India in February and we wish the girls all the best.

Brandon Hiini and Andrew Ellis have both represented Canterbury with distinction with Brandon especially having some performances of note.

Congratulations to Wade Cornelius on the arrival of twins Stella and Archie. Best of luck with the many sleepless nights ahead. Also joining the fatherhood ranks is John Bese who recently celebrated the birth of his boy, and congratulations to Haydon Wilson and Kris Rowe on their respective engagements.

Lady luck smiled on the Canterbury Women's team when they miraculously qualified for the final against Wellington. The performance though in comprehensively winning the final was outstanding. Throughout the campaign winning performances were contributed by captain Haidee Tiffen, Maria Fahey and Selena Charteris. However without doubt the real revelation with a number of eye catching performances has been spin bowler Emma Campbell. Well done girls.

Despite starting the season promisingly the Premier Men's team performances since have been below par with a general inability to perform when batting. Even though having a number of experienced players it is hard to fathom why several players are out of form at the same time. Being the Clubs flagship team it is important performances and pride worthy of a Premier team is displayed.

With a couple of separate instances of unsportsmanlike behaviour levelled at one of our teams this season it is important that we reacquaint ourselves with "The Laws of Cricket" (The Spirit of Cricket) taken directly from the CCA handbook pages 10 and 11 that all teams should have in their possession. Although some players/umpires decisions can best be described as laughable and may leave you feeling totally perplexed it is up to individuals/teams to rise above any perceived injustices. It is important that you do not put yourself or the team in any position that could lead to a potential citing,

The 125-year celebrations of Lancaster Park Cricket Club during Show Weekend attracted over 180 people to the Conversazione and 200 to the dinner, with both held at the Scenic Circle Lounge at Lancaster Park. Both nights were a resounding success and it was fantastic to renew old acquaintances.

Lets all hope for fine settled weather as we approach the last stanza of the season. It is certainly not to late for individuals or teams to improve their performances as we all strive to finish the season on the best possible note.

Reido (Men's Club Captain)



ange's report

Hi everyone, and welcome to 2007.

Well not much has been happening cricket wise for the women, the senior women have been playing super 8's in January and finished 4th. The one dayers have just restarted and we are still top of the table.

The first reserves girls had a recent win but have not been playing much cricket either.

On a positive note the Canterbury women's team won the title back last weekend in Wellington. Congratulations Haidee and the girls Selena, Maria and Emma Campbell, who made her state debut this year and bowled very well.

The White Ferns are off to play the World Cup soon, so good luck girls especially Selena Charteris who made the White Ferns squad for the first time. Katie Martins performance during the State League also got her picked for NZ A, an excellent effort from Katie.

Also Frances Mackay, Meg Kendal, Hayley Jensen are playing an U17 Otago team in Dunedin ,good luck for that girls.

Well enjoy the rest of the season and good luck.

Angela Dennett (Women's Club Captain)



Maria Fahey



quiz night

Canterbury Cricket are running another CCA Sports Quiz Series.

This is to be held on 10 successive Mondays nights at the Speight Ale House in Bealey Ave beginning March 5. Each weekly winning team progresses to Finals night held on May 27th. If you'd like to enter please contact the CCA on 365 5096 or visit the Press Releases section at...

www.canterburycricket.org.nz





franksie

Each edition of Creaseline will feature a column by current Nottinghamshire and former LPWCC player Paul Franks

Greetings Guys and Girls !! Well since the last time I spoke to you the Cricketing World has been going into over drive !

The 'Bloody Useless Poms', Macca's words not mine, have crashed and burned horribly to lose the Ashes and it has taken The Black Caps to turn up in Oz for us to even look like winning and now they even look like they are getting the Wood over us oh dear oh dear !!

As we approach the Cricket World Cup in a few weeks time if I was a betting man I would find myself a stray 20 dollar bill and head down to the TAB an see where the best odds lie, Aussie will be too short to bother with so I think that finding a better alternative may be the way to go.

So if you have the spare 20, I would put some money on India; fantastic Batting, a good balanced attack and some youthful dynamic fielders may see them strong enough to go all the way. I will happily accept a share of anyone winning a substantial amount !!

The English Winter is in full swing, dark, dingey afternoons are the order of the day but it has been pleasant enough when I have been pounding the streets for my early morning run.

That is all about to change for me though as I head for some Warm ,well Bloody Hot winter training in India, a few of the Notts lads are about to be put through our paces in Chennai under the tutelage of the great Dennis Lillee. Having been before I think I know what to expect but I fear the younger guys may get a serious eye opener, Selena, Maria & Haidee be warned India can be a very unforgiving place.

Upon our return it is full steam ahead for the trials and stresses of pre season training we report back on March 7th for nearly 6 weeks of full on sprinting, bleep tests and fat measurements to make sure we are in good nick for the season. It all sounds pretty full on but it is great to see the lads again after a long winter and the banter and laughs get you through all that running through the sludge !!

It will be full steam ahead in every sense as my wife and I head towards the arrival of our first child in early May. The last 3 months have simply flown by and living with a woman with a football up her jersey has its moments; all in all it has been plain sailing fingers crossed for a big 3 months through to the finish line. Over the course of the next few weeks my Benefit Year starts with functions coming thick and fast, thankfully I have some excellent people supporting me thru what will be a busy time for all concerned.

I have been keeping my eyes on the results coming from the club and it appears that overall you are going well , a touch more consistency may be the order of the day to challenge for silverware but with younger guys playing it is going to take time to gel things together. Congratulations to all the Canterbury Representatives and those who are going on to bigger and better things at National level, all the luck in the World, enjoy the challenge and keep smiling.

To Wadeo and Shaz, many congrats so pleased for you both I can only imagine how manic it is coping with the Twins and keeping Wade in order too, Shaz you deserve a medal.

Well here is to a good end to the season to you all and the start of one for me. Good luck and Keep Swinging Hard !!

Franksie



first eleven

Batting

(as at 17th Feb 07)

1.	130	J Spray	v BWUCC	6th Grade	10th Feb
2.	115*	H Woodley	v OBC Tan	4th Grade	17th Feb
3.	113*	A Ellis	v OBC	Premier Men	11th Feb
4.	108*	D Booth	v Sydenham	3rd Grade	4th Nov
5.	107	M Chamberlain	v Riccarton	President's	3rd Feb
6.	99	C Miln	v East Shirley	3rd Grade	7th Oct
7.	96	M Von Guionneau,	v OBC	4th Grade	4th Nov
8.	94	J Winstanley	v Marist	Premier Men	7th Oct
9.	93*	B McCord	v OBC	Premier Men	11th Feb
10.	91	L Robson	v Riccarton	President's	14th Oct
11.	91	M Fahey	v OBCC	Premier Women	11th Nov

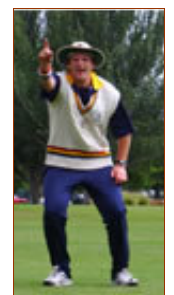


Ben McCord

Bowling

(as at 17th Feb 07)

1.	7-10	C Primmer	v Marist	2nd Grade	4th Nov
2.	7-48	J Barnao	v St Albans	3rd Grade	16th Dec
3.	6-13*	R McCone	v Marist	Premier Men	28th Oct
4.	6-61	W Cornelius	v Riccarton	Premier Men	16th Dec
5.	5-13**	M Rendle	v OBC	5th Grade	7th Oct
6.	5-17	F McKay	v OBCC	Premier Women	2nd Dec
7.	5-20	L Taylor	v BWUCC	5th Grade	14th Oct
8.	5-25	H Wilson	v OBC	3rd Grade	21st Oct
9.	5-28	H Wilson	v Sydenham	3rd Grade	4th Nov
10.	5-32	M Oates	v Marist	6th Grade	28th Oct
11.	5-38	T Waterreus	v East Shirley	Premier Women	17th Feb



Wade Cornelius

* - part of 10 wicket match haul ** - denotes hat-trick





The celebrations to mark the 125th Anniversary of the Lancaster Park Club, held over Show Weekend in November 2006 were judged by the many who attended the various functions, to have been a huge success.

A Committee, under the Chairmanship of Rod Cameron, representing many decades of membership of the Club, including 6 Life Members, first met in September 2004 and in the 26 months leading up to the celebrations met on 22 occasions.

Past Club members from far and wide traveled back to Christchurch for the weekend - Life Member Allan Ford and wife Debbie from Perth, Maurice Ryan from Sydney, Paula Flannery from the UK and many from other parts of New Zealand.



Rod Cameron

Conversazione

Returning to the "home" of the Club - Lancaster Park (Jade Stadium) - 180 attended the opening function of the celebrations, old friendships were renewed and past exploits recalled (and embellished). During the evening the "All Time" team of the past 25 years, since the centenary of the Club, was announced and commemorative trophies presented to those selected.

Golf Day

80 attended at the Templeton Golf Club for a real fun day with all of the 80 going home with prizes due to the generosity of so many prize donors.

Dinner

Just over 200 were present, back at Lancaster Park, for this highlight of the celebrations, where we were all provided with an excellent meal, wine aplenty and a highly amusing address by guest speaker and celebrity, David McPhail.

During the course of the evening "All Time" teams - over the 125 years for the Men and since 1976 for the Women, when the Western Womens Club joined the Park, were announced and again commemorative trophies were presented to those present from the selected teams.

The Canterbury Cricket Association was kind enough to fund a guest from all of the other Association Clubs to enjoy the occasion.

Club Day

Intended as a day for the Junior Club as well as all past & present members, it was a rather cold day and not surprisingly not too many attended, but those that did, particularly the Juniors, enjoyed the entertainment and food which was provided.

Anniversary Book

This publication **25 Years On** which specifically reviewed the 25 years since the centenary was well received by all past and present Club members and the **Eureka Trust** is to be recognized with much appreciation for the generous grant which substantially covered the costs of producing the book.

Copies of the book are still available should anybody associated with the Club wish to have the book - please apply through our website.

Anniversary Teams

During the celebrations three teams were named,

- ✓ The 'Best XII' male players throughout the 125 years,
- ✓ The 'Best XII' female players since inception in 1976
- ✓ And the '25 Years Team', made up of male players from the last 25 years.



LPCC Men (125 years): Ian Anderson, Chris Cairns, Murray Chapple, Tony Collins, Ian Cromb, Ray Dowker, Alby Duckmanton, Rod Latham, Arthur Thomas, Bruce Irving, Reg Read, Fred Wilding

LPCC Women (125 years): Trudy Anderson, Lisa Astle, Shirley Cowles, Paula Flannery, Deborah Ford, Karen Hadlee, Debbie Hockley, Ingrid Jagersma, Jenny Olsen, Ethna Rouse, Haidee Tiffen, Nikki Turner

LPCC Men (25 years): Chris Cairns, Mark Chamberlain, Tony Collins, Cleighton Cornelius, Wade Cornelius, Dave Dempsey, Nick Foster, Bruce Irving, Graeme Kench, Rod Latham, Trevor Luke, John Quinn



Tony Collins



Paula Flannery



Trevor Luke





jade stadium

Further to the 125th celebrations, a fixture was held on Lancaster Park, the former home of LPCC, of course these days known as Jade Stadium. Two teams squared off on the main oval with a LPWCC President's team taking on a LPCC XI.



LPCC XI v LPWCC President's (Jade Stadium 16/12/06)

LPWCC batted first scoring 213/9 off their 40 overs, with Mike Hawke top scoring with 46, followed by Ian Malcom with 41, Scott Wilson 33, and Paul Bennett 23. Ross 'Possum' Calder returned the best figures of 3-41.

In reply LPCC came up 37 runs short with Bob Cusdin leading the way with 53, Mark Chamberlain and Ken Taylor both scoring 35.

All involved had a great time, and for most a real thrill as they played on the hallowed turf for the first time.

It was terrific to see the likes of Bruce Irving and Andy McDougall back on the Park in LPCC colours.

There was sufficient interest in the game that TVNZ sent a film crew and showed an item on their Sports News that same night, and The Press featured an article and picture in their Monday issue.



mac's report

As I write this report it is pleasing to have a little sun around at last, it seemed that the summer was never going to arrive so I hope you are all enjoying some cricket weather and getting heaps of runs and wickets to compliment a cold beer after a hard day in the whites.

The club is having another mixed year to date with the 1st men playing some good cricket at times but letting themselves down on too many occasions to seriously challenge for two day honours at this stage which is disappointing.

One of the problems we have is that this year we have had a number of our best players unavailable due to representative and under age team commitments. Andrew Ellis, Brandon Hiini, Ben Mcord, James Baxendale, Ryan McCone, Keryn Ambler, Wade Cornelius and Andrew Duncan have all been unavailable at crucial times which has put pressure on our depth below.

This situation is not new to many clubs but is to us and obviously we need more quality players still to call on as this situation will only get worse as our talented youngsters keep improving and move into rep teams in the near future. As a club coach I take a great deal of pride in seeing our players being selected in rep teams and I believe one of my main tasks is to ensure that this happens, of course the downside is unavailability at times.

This makes the 2nd and 3rd grade teams even more important to the club than perhaps in the past. The 2nds have not really had a consistent season since Bruce Cameron was in charge and they have also had many team changes which doesn't help. I believe many of the players who have moved up from the 2nds now understand the massive gap in playing 1st grade, its not easy that's for sure.



Also many of the 2nds simply don't practice often enough, if you are looking to improve yourself and perhaps be a serious contender for higher things then I suggest coming to practice may be a good place to start!! In saying that I'm pleased to report that practice attendance has been good in most teams without the new year 'drop off' that has occurred in other years.

The ladies have been struggling with unavailability's due to rep and national honours as well and a special mention to Selena for making the White Ferns, well deserved mate, awesome. Good luck to Haidee, Maria and Selena in India.

Finally, a huge congrats to Shaz and Wado on the birth of their twins, maybe I'm still around to take them for their 1st coaching lesson, who knows?

Cheers for now, Mac

semi-final

The Premier Men's side finished their cup run with a hiss and a roar making the semi-finals for the first time in a number of years.

In a rematch of their sudden death round robin match they were again pitted against Old Boys Collegians at Elmwood Park. LPWCC totalled 232/9 batting first with excellent contributions from ex STAC boys Ben McCord and Ryan McCone. McCord scoring 68* off 69 balls, McCone 56 off 71 and they were supported by the returning Simon Allen with 41.

But it wasn't quite enough with Old Boys lead by youngsters Sean Coffey and Tom Johnston completing the victory 6 down with 3 overs to spare. The best of our bowlers was Ryan McCone in an excellent double taking 2-32 off his 10.



Ryan McCone





website

The club has a new(ish) website which many of you will have visited by now. If you haven't make sure you check out LPWCC online

www.lpwcc.co.nz

There is a raft of information including the following...

- Draws
- Results
- Club News
- Team Information
- Message Board
- Reps
- Profiles
- History
- Juniors
- And more...



If you'd like to make any comments about the website, please send an email to web@lpwcc.co.nz

IMPORTANT

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If you are reading this and haven't already completed a registration form this season or signed up online, can you **PLEASE** do so. We want to have as many email addresses as possible.

This includes...

- ✓ players
- ✓ ex-players
- ✓ supporters
- ✓ stake holders etc
- ✓ anyone really...

Can you **PLEASE** go to the website, and click on 'newsletter', and complete the subscription form.



juniors

With the poor weather we have had, cancellations have hindered good play and is frustrating for all of us. Not much improvement for 2007. Listening to the rain the night before is upsetting for everyone.

Congratulations to Tomas Oates, Jared Exeter, Jayden Booth and Wesley Mauafu who have been selected for Christchurch Tournament well done and all the best for the games.

We have a raffle going around donated by Mark Roberts Ltd, thanks to Karen Boyd for the organization of this. Please help out by supporting the \$2 raffle.

The juniors have settled back into the season well and it's great to see all the children at Garrick Park. Thank you to all the coaches and the many parents who support the junior club.

We entered our three youth teams into Xmas Comps, again bad weather and at times struggling to fill the three I reduced it to two. Mainly wins for both teams. Although the competition was not as we would like, at least it keeps the interest in cricket throughout the Xmas break. Next season we would possibly look at creating our own competition with the three teams, splitting teams and using it as a tool for less experienced players to play with skilled players.

We have junior photos on Monday the 26th from 4.30pm and Prize Giving will be early April.

I would again like to thank Garry, Brian (Rangi) and Ross for the hard work they put into the youth grades.

All the best for the rest of the cricket season.

Regards Karen Verbeek

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