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Esperance juniors warmup at Gosnells

THE Gosnells Cricket Club hosted the Esperance junior country week team recently prior to their carnival.

Under the guidance of Kevin Loaring, Warren Goes, Dave Roberts, Bruce Bussanich, Ross Leipold and first grade players Anthony Caddy, Matt Goes, Matt Leipold with assistance from promising juniors Dave Roberts and Dean Bussanich, a two hour training session was held at Sutherlands Park followed by a feed and refreshments thanks to Jim Buckley, Scott Henderson, Marie James-Buckley, Julie Leipold and barman Ken Leipold.

Esperance coach Gavin Harris was grateful and said the boys obtained valuable tips to work on moving forward.

In recent years, Gosnells has visited the Great Boulder Cricket Club in Kalgoorlie and conducted coaching clinics with players from the Esperance region travelling up to take part.

Esperance-Ravensthorpe Club Development officer Shane Tobin has helped co-ordinate the clinics and has been an integral part of the Gosnells-Esperance alliance. Shane is a well-known figure of the region and has been a huge contributor not only as a player but has been the driving force behind the promotion of Esperance talented players.

Clancy Wheeler, Baden Norwood, Cody Henderson and now young spinner Michael Renton have all come from the Esperance region and are now representing the Mighty Hawks.

The senior country week team will train at Sutherlands Park on Saturday 14th January prior to their carnival. WACA zone high performance coach Peter Waite will join our coaching team for the session.

We wish them luck for their Country Week Carnival and hope they enjoyed the session.

Thirty of our own juniors are also involved in a coaching clinic under the watchful eye of Kevin Loaring during the school holidays.



Esperance junior country week team completed a successful training session. More photos page 8.

A day at the WACA



• Marie as her usual bubbly self.

EVERY year the WACA put on a function for key volunteers involved at club level.

This year it is held on day three of the Australia v India test match and two dynamos of our band of volunteers big Jim and Marie James-Buckley will be off to enjoy the day.

Marie has been fantastic behind the bar and runs an efficient ship whilst hubby Jim has been seen numerous times behind the barbie cooking up a feast for the players post match.

It's important that we don't forget the enormous amount of work our volunteers do for the club and we must always appreciate and remain respectful of their efforts.



• Jim with prize recruit Rob Terace.



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No compromise needed

by ROSS LEIPOLD
President

HALF the season has gone already with many hours put in on the training track and numerous hours dedicated off field by our strong band of volunteers.

We all have responsibilities and some of the actions of individuals playing in our district competition are far from playing the game in the spirit in which its laws are written.

We have seen the introduction of new rules and a tweek in the District Cricket competitions with our one dayers and two dayers being seperated once more. Increased focus on the longer form of the game is a positive, especially when we are striving to develop our young players of the competition.

Also introduced is penalties for slow over rates. Unfortunately this has seen a compromise to which we should be playing the game.

Farcical

As always it is the minority that exploit this in the opposite. This has led to teams racing through their overs early, fantastic, only to see our game degenerate into a farcical and frustrating conclusion to the days play.

Captains have a responsibility to maintain the spirit in which we play the game. This was not the case in one first grade game I witnessed.

When you see a days play go from good competitive cricket with a good over rate to slow, frustrating and farcical situations it is time to take stock.

The slow over rate penalties were introduced for good reason and not to be abused.

When you see a team slow down to a crawl during and between overs it only reflects badly on our game. It went to the extreme in a recent game.

Our opposition were faced with only needing to bowl 10 overs in the last hour and they achieved this right on the knocker. Well done to them for getting through their overs, the penalty system is working. Unfortunately, what it created wasn't good for our game.

Ball passes through to the keeper who forwards on to 1st slip who polishes the ball, he then passes on to gully who polishes it, he then passes on to cover who gives it a rub who then throws out to deep backward point, that's right deep backward point. He then return throws back to cover but not before giving it a rub who continued the same

process until it finally got to the bowler. He then felt as though he should move the field around before he finally delivered the next ball.

This is when I grabbed a 3.5 and retired to the car in fear of being reported. What I was witnessing was an absolute joke.

Talk about bringing the game into disrepute, talk about not playing the game in the right spirit, etc, etc.

There are arguments that teams only have to bowl their required overs, true, but to be honest this game would have been far better off had the momentum of the game continued and stumps drawn after they had bowled their overs.

Their has been lots of talk about district cricket and its standard, number of clubs in the competition with every Tom, Dick and Harry passing their views on district cricket and what is needed to improve. This sort of action does nothing to promote our game.

Good luck to all players for the remainder of the season and lets look to a strong finish in all grades with continued hard work on the training track. Get behind Rusty, Goesy, Peter and the captains and put some positive results on the board.

Short Singles

NEW BOUNDARY MARKER: Gordon Ashworth has come on board to make sure our boundaries are marked. Gordon also marks the grounds for the hockey club and has now come on board with the cricket club. Whilst you might think that we are doing you a favour by getting you out of the house every Friday arvo for a short while you are doing the Gosnells Cricket Club a huge favour. Thanks heaps Gordon.

CHOGM SHIFT: THE work of Mark Bailey continues to be sensational. Mark is our Director of Grounds and if not for his tireless work on the Friday of CHOGM we may not have been able to play on that weekend. Well done Mark, we appreciate the fantastic effort you put in.

POMERS OFF: Losing a class player of Luke Pomersbach's ability has been massive this season. I have no doubt that had he played in a number of games for us this season our win column would be much different. Luke will spend the last couple of months playing club cricket in Brisbane in an effort to kickstart his cricket career. We wish him luck and look forward to one day seeing him back in the Baggy Blue again.

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Hard work starting to show good signs



by PAUL CULLINANE

Director of WACA Senior

THE half way mark sees the Club struggling with all grades in the bottom half of the ladder.

The encouraging thing however, is that the amount of work the boys are doing to improve, and that improvement is obvious in some close results, and very competitive approach to all games by all Grades.

In fact, the worst results we have achieved came when we struggled with unavailability of players, in one round we could not pick 14 people, through injury, travel or weddings.

The 1st Grade have had a winning position in most games, and have beaten Willetton and had a draw against Wanneroo and Fremantle.

Again outstanding has been the captain with his bowling, and several very valuable knocks with his bat. Cadds has lead the team with plenty of enthusiasm and passion, and it is great to see the guys get in behind him.

The bowling has been well supported by Brett Bayley and Blake Marklew, and D'Arcy Short is having a great season with his spin. The batting started out slowly, but in the past 4 games, the team have passed 200 and given themselves a chance at a result.

Short century

D'Arcy Short has been his aggressive self, and hit a magnificent century in a One Day game against Mt Lawley. Alistair Turner, Matthew Leipold, Michael Bailey and Baden Norwood have been consistent, and Matthew Goes has shown great maturity and game sense for a first year 1st Grader, culminating in his half century against Rockingham Mandurah.

Shane Terrace and his Second Grade are knocking on the door of the top 6, having won 2 games, including 1 outright, and a draw. Two boys straight out of 17s have had a big impact in Gurinder Singh and Cameron Heron, giving Terra, Jason Laming and Blair Dalton good support.

Derek Bland has been the leader with the bat, and Jake Sands hit a superb 100 not out last week against Rockingham Mandurah. Ryan James-Buckley, Adrian Pike and Darren Marijanich are set to score plenty of runs after the break.

The Third Grade under Mitch Irwin have also been around the top six, and certainly are getting the talent to challenge after Christmas.



• The Fourth Grade in full voice after recording their first win for the season against Rockingham Mandurah.

Jimmy Taylor and his spin have been invaluable, big Cody Henderson thunders in all day. Simon Acomb and Andries Mercer offer good support and Ben Horsman is a wicket taker. The batting has been a little brittle, but came good against Rockingham Mandurah, with Andrew De Boer and Lewie Upton establishing a big score.

Mitch Irwin was rewarded with a second grade game after leading the run scoring in the threes, while Jimmy Taylor, Andries Mercer and Ben Horsman have also been good contributors.

The Fourth Grade again are in development mode under the watchful eye of Warren Goes.

Warren has been very patient and has worked hard on getting the side to be disciplined and professional and the results are showing. With a very young side (4 fifteen year olds) last week they had their first win against second placed Rockingham Manadurah.

Warren has led the way with the bat, and he has had great support from Dave Roberts, Harry Painter and Josh Bailey. He also has a very handy bowling attack, and Joe Smith, Harry Painter and Phil Hicks are getting the job done.

Our One Day and Colts campaigns have both ended, as has the T20. We had some great wins in the Colts, and at the end of the day, fell agonisingly short of finals.

Warren coached the team fantastically, and it has been a fantastic initiative that we have been able to have designated coached for both teams. Well done to Alistair Bivens and his team.

The One Day side had some heart breaking losses, but in the end, gave an exceptional account of themselves and learnt a great deal from the pain of losing. It is all part of development, and we expect to see the boys hungrier and desperate for success next year.

Some thank you's now. To our Man of the Match sponsors Peter and Lisa Marijanich of Modern Catering (1st Grade), Rob and Judy Terrace, Ross and Julie Leipold of U-Brew-it and Guy Hoskin of the Football and Cricket shop a huge thanks for helping us give the guys a little something for an outstanding performance.

Also to Advans Exhibition Services for completing our

magnetic sponsor signs for the scoreboard and sticker for the Club Car.

Finally, a congratulations to D'Arcy Short on his debut for the Warriors in the one day match against New South Wales, Anthony Caddy on his selection in the Futures League game against New South Wales and to Matthew Leipold on his selection in the State Under 19s team to play in the National Carnival in Adelaide in January.

Well done to the captains on the great job they are doing, our sensational coaching structure lead by head coach Russell Le Dain, assistant coach Warren Goes, bowling coach Peter Marijanich and keeping coach Craig Jensen.



Special thanks to our major sponsors in David Bishop from Touchstone Farm, Wayne Barber and David Luff from Luff and Barber Real Estate, Andrew and Amanda Panetta from Grays Concrete and Wayne French from Kensington Partners Accountants. Also thanks to Advans Signs for their continued outstanding work on our sponsors signs.



• Brett Bayley fires one down in the one dayer against the Country XI.



• Matt Goes has slotted into first grade cricket very well.



• Action from the one dayer against the Country XI.



• One day cricket in colour as the boys scored a comfortable win for Gosnells against Country XI sporting their Kensington Partners sponsored clothing.



• Esperance product Cody Henderson fires one down in 3rd grade.

All forms in first half of season

Two Day, One Day and Twenty 20 cricket has kept the first half of the season very busy. The introduction of coloured clothing and the use of white balls has seen an added spectacle to our one day games. More focus on the two games has seen the two forms of the game seperated into seperate competitions this season. Once again thanks to Ken Ashwin for his outstanding photos.



• Baden Norwood goes for one.



• Shaun Heron behind the stumps in 3rd grade.

It is no coincidence that....



by **RUSSELL LEDAIN**
Club Coach

IT is no coincidence that some of our young cricketers have made marked improvements through the first half of the season and that they have achieved personal milestones along the way.

And the list of players is quite long. Anthony Caddy, Ali Turner, Matt Goes, Jacob Sands, Brett Bayley, Guru Singh – to name a few – have all had great starts to the season. Their performances so far have been outstanding.

Cadds has three five wicket hauls, Brett Bayley took 3 for 15 in a one day game against Perth, Matt Goes played first grade cricket and achieved his first 50, Ali Turner has hit 50s and has set the top side up to bat through the day, and in second grade Guru and Sandsy have been solid performers with a hundred for Jacob before Christmas and 9 wickets in a match against Fremantle for Guru.

But it is no coincidence that these guys have achieved what they have.

Success in a sporting environment is always difficult. It would be fantastic if it was a tangible thing which we could bottle and apply it whenever it is needed. It is like the wonder weight loss pill or the fountain of youth. Everyone wants it but only a few people ever discover the path to it. Some of our guys have seen the path and have begun the journey along it. But again this is no coincidence.

The reason these players have begun to achieve more is something quite simple. It is something that they all have in common. It is something that they have all made a conscious decision to do. They have all decided to do a little bit extra.

For each individual player, this extra bit can be quite different. But the fact is that they all have done that bit extra. For most of this group, the extra work began way back in June. Off season technical sessions on a Monday night was the start of their journey. Working on both batting and bowling, all the

guys saw an improvement in their skills in those sessions. And every Friday afternoon these guys are still in the nets hitting extra balls.

For Matt Goes, Brett Bayley and Ali Turner, the extra work also involved getting fitter and stronger. Along with a number of other players, these guys spent ten weeks improving their fitness and conditioning so that the physical side of playing cricket was not a concern for them. And with this improved and strengthened physicality came a stronger mental approach. One better equipped to dealing with the stresses of training and playing cricket at this level.

And then there is the one thing that truly defines the extra that each of these players puts in every week. Their focus! Every one of these guys train with purpose and with focus. They all enter the nets knowing what they

need to achieve from their session and how they are going to go about it. Their intensity is palpable as they make every effort to gain something from the time they are at training.

And here in lies the secret to their success. It is something we could all learn from. Their achievements are not necessarily due to the work that they did yesterday, or last week, but due to the work that they have all been doing for months. And the extra work that they still do.

Sport is so much like life - there are no guarantees. All we can do is sway the odds in our favour. And how we do this, how we go about this, is what defines us as individuals. And so when you see our players achieving their goals and their personal successes, realise that it is definitely not a result of coincidence. Know that this is the result of genuine hard work.

Our state representatives



• D'Arcy Short made his RYOBI CUP debut against New South Wales in Sydney.



• Anthony Caddy was rewarded for his outstanding start to 2011/12 season by representing WA in the Futures League.

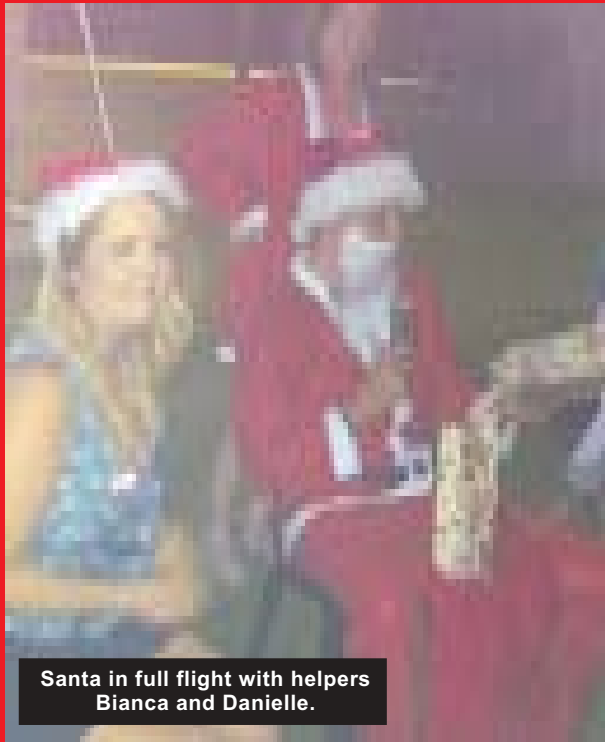


• Matthew Leipold has been selected to represent WA in the 19s Championships to be held in Adelaide from January 11 to 20.



The No.1 cricket station

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Santa in full flight with helpers Bianca and Danielle.



Rob Terace and Brett Sands enjoying a quiet Christmas drink.



Michael Mobilia kept the girls company.

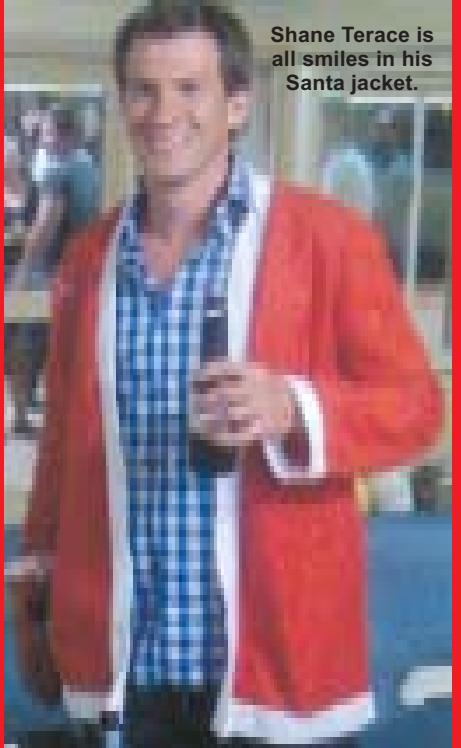


Rob Terace, Ken, Audrey and Kelsey Leipold with Nick Kipping.



The Stringers enjoying the Aussie Christmas atmosphere.

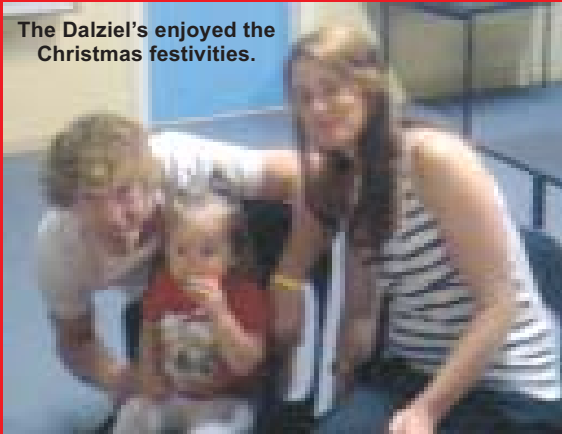
Christmas at the club



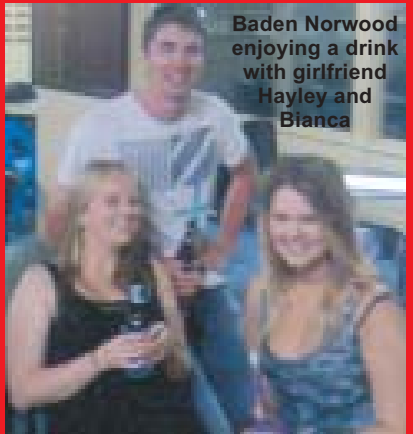
Shane Terace is all smiles in his Santa jacket.



Lewis Upton, Jake Sands and Mitch Irwin were excited when they saw Santa.



The Dalziel's enjoyed the Christmas festivities.



Baden Norwood enjoying a drink with girlfriend Hayley and Bianca

Cup night draws controversy

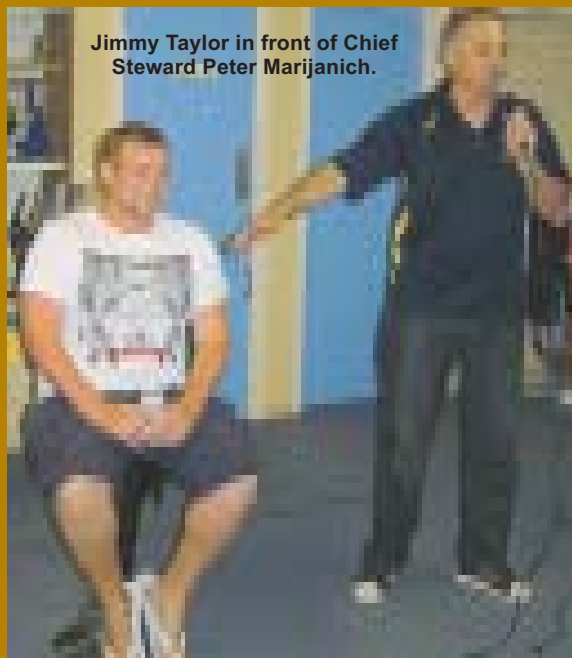
A STEWARDS enquiry into the performance of visiting English jockey Jimmy Taylor during the night highlighted a need to step up closer scrutiny of raiding overseas jockeys.

After strong cross examination from Chief Steward Peter Marijanich, Jimmy was suspended from riding at the Gosnells Cricket Club for the remainder of the 2011/12 season and placed on stable cleaning duties after it was found he had an elevated heart rate due to the walk from the bar to the stewards room. He must trial to stewards satisfaction before he is allowed back in the saddle.

Despite this controversy, the night included five action packed races with you guessed it, more losers than winners. Thanks to race caller, Chief Steward and comedian Peter Marijanich for another outstanding display behind the microphone.



The ladies getting ready for the gates to fly open.



Jimmy Taylor in front of Chief Steward Peter Marijanich.



Winning owners Dalts, NT, Terra and Blandy were all smiles after the big race.

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HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US, WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU ON BOARD.



Scott Henderson and Jim Buckley cook up a feast for the Esperance lads.

New exiting challenges ahead for 17s

THE half way point for the season is here, and we have had mixed success. The team currently sits 13th on the ladder, with 1 win, 1 draw and 4 losses.

A predominantly 1st year 17s team, we are continuing to work hard on our processes, and learning about the longer form, and Senior strategy required to go onto Senior Cricket in the next two years.

The boys are very keen and eager to learn, and they are working very hard. We set goals at the commencement of the season, and in the past 4 innings we have exceeded those goals with our batting scores.

After Christmas, there are new challenges, and everyone is very keen to get onto them. Major contributors with the bat so far are Daniel Payne (164 runs at 32.8, 2 half centuries), Ben Horsman (123/30.75/1), Andries Mercer (121/20.17/1) and Harry Bradshaw (114/19/1).

There have been some great partnerships as well, notably , Andries Mercer and Daniel Payne 109 versus Willetton, Harry Bradshaw and Daniel Payne versus Freo 76 and Ben Horsman and Jason Sibum 68 versus Rockingham Mandurah. Our openers are also developing nicely, with Jordan Armstrong and Dean Bussanich getting us off to some handy starts.

The Bowling has been a little slower to develop, but having some of our better bowlers hand tied by restricting overs for the Seniors has allowed us to give opportunities to the younger bowlers. Tom Cornish and Bryce Mcrae-Lea have bowled some very good spells, and Anthony Donetta has looked very good from limited opportunities. It is my intention to work these boys a lot harder in the second half of the year to prepare them for big roles for the 17s next year. Main contributors Andries Mercer (8 wickets at 12.75), Ben Horsman (8/22), Jason Sibum (6/22.83) and Daniel Payne (5/20).

Finally, many thanks to Sean Bradshaw and Ray Horsman for their assistance at training and game day. The boys appreciate a great deal the fact they can approach 3 coaches and get some supportive advice.

Paul Cullinane
17s Coach

Our Mission, Our Vision, Our Values

MISSION: To unite our members in enriching the lives of all within the community through participation and fellowship in cricket.

VISION: To have built and maintained a strong successful club and have influenced the lives of young men and women through their involvement and participation at Gosnells Cricket Club.

VALUES: To play it fair and square on and off the field.

To earn and give respect to all others without regard to ability, disability, race, creed or position – teamship is the thing that counts.

To always together protect the right of our teammates – all for one and one for all.

To preserve and protect all club and teammates property.

To always strive to succeed to the best of our ability – come what may you'll find us striving.

To appreciate, preserve, nurture and continue the work of those who have gone before us.

To develop a culture of continual improvement both as individuals and as a club.

To encourage good sportsmanship by all our players, officials and spectators – we play it fair and square.

To continue our off-field hospitality in providing a positive social atmosphere – that's the way at Gosnells.

Focus on our juniors

by SCOTT HENDERSON
Director of WACA Junior

13s highlights

THE 13s under the guidance of Michael Disisto and Jim Buckley have come from being very green at the start of the season to a squad with some real purpose.

The win against Melville has helped inject enthusiasm very noticeable at recent training sessions which has been a delight to watch, keep it up lads as there is never an easy game in district cricket this attitude can only be positive.

Notable individual achievements this season being Callum Fuller 43 v Willetton 20 v Melville, Chad Nilson 25 v South Perth, Will Pethick 27 v Perth 2/14 v Melville, Luke Goodman 20 & 3/11 v Perth, Adam Disisto 26 v Willetton 20 & 2/13 v Melville, Kiale O'Brien 24 v Melville, Lumina Gajanayake and Jesse Mason 2/15 v Perth 2/1 from 5 overs v Melville. Ben Skinner a season effort 19 overs 2/31 shows some promising consistency.

14s highlights

The 14s with four out of seven games played at the boys have only managed one win, but have learnt a lot along the way. We will save the match results summary until the end of season report and just highlight a few points here.

At this stage of their cricketing journey, we are still trying to expose players to a range of game situations, and we have used a variety of batting and bowling line ups, so we can see as many as possible in different positions.

There is a lot of good potential in our batting line up, and if everybody achieves to potential on the same day, we will be hard to beat. Some good performances with the bat include Gerard Berry with 50 v Willetton, Rhys Allender with 51 v Willetton and 26 v Perth, Darius D'Silva with 30 v South Perth and 24 v Perth, Dylan Bormolini with 28 v Perth, Corey Ferguson with 22 no v Perth, Brayden Ridley with 27 v Melville and Jake Horsman with 20 v Melville. Some of these scores were made under trying conditions requiring hard work to recover match situations and demonstrate a good level of application. We are looking for a big improvement in shot selection and punishment of loose balls from all batsmen during the remainder of the season.

Our bowling attack has a lot of depth and talent and is a handful for any batting team when they get their line and length right. Notable bowling efforts include Steve Lemmer who snared 3/7 v Perth and 2/18 v Melville, Jaxom Rose with 3/28 v South Perth and 2/10 v Melville, Matt Gudgeon with 2/42 v Willetton and 2/14 v Melville, Luke McNamee with 2/8 v South Perth and Brayden Ridley with 2/10 v Perth. The challenge remains for all bowlers to consistently maintain line and length, and eliminate the loose balls from their overs.

Our fielding performances have been the most frustrating part of our game, some sessions we do it brilliantly, while at other times we drift off or forget the basics. We still need to do a lot of work on our overall fitness levels, so our fielding remains in focus for the entire period of time we are in the field.



Congratulations to (l-r) Rhys Allender, Matthew Gudgeon, Jaxom Rose and Gerrard Berry on being selected in the South East Zone 14s Emerging Warriors Program.

Fitness cannot be underestimated in this game and the higher level to which you go, the more important it becomes. By the end of this season, many players will be at the cross roads with their cricketing careers depending on where they take their fitness levels. Those who do not progress to a high level of fitness will struggle to achieve to their potential, so we will be heavily focused on a rigorous fitness program for the remainder of the season.

Overall, we are seeing some good signs and have progressed well in many areas of the game, which should see most of our squad well prepared to take on the challenge of 60 overs in the Saturday morning comp next season. Congratulations to Matt Gudgeon, Gerard Berry, Rhys Allender and Jaxom Rose on your selection for the zone Emerging Warrior Program.



Dave Roberts and Harry Byrne have been selected in the South East Zone 15s Emerging Warriors Program.

15s highlights

The 15s have been in an excellent match winning position on 4 occasions but have managed to only take 2 of them. The two wins over Wanneroo and Joondalup were a tremendous effort and an indication of your abilities. At the halfway mark 2 & 4 leaves us short on the ladder, you clearly have what it takes to turn this around. Congratulations to Harry Byrne and Dave Roberts on your selection for the zone Emerging Warrior Program.

Notable individual achievements Dave Roberts 350+ runs in all grades so far this season with a 76 v Wanneroo, 66 v Joondalup and 46 v Bayswater, Tim Hale 37 v Joondalup and 25 v Fremantle, Jeremy McFarlane 30 v Willetton and a splendid 12 over 9 maiden 1/5 v Fremantle, Brandon Cavallaro 25 v Willetton, Travis Neilings 29 v Bayswater and fine bowling effort of 11 overs 6 maidens 2/12 v Rockingham, Jimmy Shoemsmith 2/16 v Joondalup and a special note Harry Byrne who is the current leading wicket taker for WACA 15's competition with 16 wickets @ 8.88 with returns of 4/12 v Wanneroo, 3/29 &

3/2 v Fremantle. Finally a big welcome back to Christian Agostino 3/34 v Rockingham after a long layoff with injury, also great news with Alex Watts getting the all clear with his injury.

17s highlights

The 17s have had some close battles along with a dominant win over local side Willetton a very good knock of 84 by Andries Mercer and some quality bowling from Ben Horsman 4 for 20 off 12 overs, Andries Mercer 2/15 and Jacob Dib 2/11 all helped contribute to the win.

Other notable individual achievements Ben Horsman 46 v Bayswater 54 v Rockingham, Daniel Payne 3 for 23 v Bayswater 57 v Joondalup 32 v Willetton, Andries Mercer 4/19 v Wanneroo, Harry Bradshaw 40 v Willetton, Jason Sibum 36 v Rockingham and Dean Bussanich 25 v Rockingham.

The efforts by all of the junior players participating in the senior ranks averaging around 7 players every week have been above expectations and the club is grateful for your support at training and match days.

City jumps on board Cricket Champs



CITY OF GOSNELLS

THANKS go out to Club Development and Funding Officers Jason Cox, Ben Armstrong from the City of Gosnells for their valuable assistance in providing funds to help set up the Cricket Champs program at the Gosnells Cricket Club.

Whilst low on numbers at this point, we have seven boys who are having an absolute ball. We are very confident numbers will increase with a number trying but not yet officially registering.

There are some special events planned early 2012 to give our little champs a real treat. Thanks to our Cricket Champs CEO, Justin Sambell, he has organised a couple of days at the WACA to meet some of the stars of our game.

On January 11th at 12.00pm the Champs are invited to get along to the WACA and take part in a Cricket Champs session. Toward the end of the session Mike Hussey will come and join the boys for a photo and autograph session and maybe even play a bit of cricket with us.

Following this session on February 22nd at 1.30pm at the WACA again they are invited to watch the Western Warriors in action in their one day Ryobi Cup match whilst also taking part in an on ground demonstration during the innings break.

If you want to find out more about Cricket Champs or would like to come on board as a volunteer or you might just want to contribute some sponsorship to allow us to continue to provide these young boys an ongoing opportunity to play the game of cricket in a relaxed, non stressful environment, then don't be shy in coming forward, your support will be greatly appreciated.

The program kicks off again for its final six weeks on the 3rd of February and finishes on the 3rd of March. We are always looking for



The Cricket Champs team of kids, parents and volunteers.

help and for 90 minutes every Friday afternoon from 4.30-6pm for six weeks, you will enjoy it as much as the kids do.

Thanks so far to our co-ordinator Raymond Martin and volunteer Peter Phillips, the Gosnells Junior Cricket Club president. Also must make mention of the boys fantastic parents, what a great bunch of very special people.

For more info contact the Gosnells Cricket Club website on gosnellssc.org or visit the cricket champs website by logging on to: cricketchamps.org.au or maybe like us on Facebook by becoming our friend on [facebook.com/cricketchamps](https://www.facebook.com/cricketchamps) or why not just follow us on twitter - twitter.com/cricketchamps



Santa made a special visit to see all our cricket champs on our last session for 2011. We had a great Christmas party thanks to Jo and Ben Strutt who entered a competition in the West Australian and won \$1,000 worth of goodies from Woolworths. All the kids in the program and their brothers and sisters received a present from Santa and even a couple of the big kids (Peter, right) were lucky enough to sit on Santa's knee. We all had a great time and what a feast we had. Back to the training track boys.



THE SEASON SO FAR

FIRST GRADE

ROUND 1: Gosnells 139 (Caddy 43) lost to Bayswater Morley 225 (Caddy 5-28, Short 4-55) & 1-169.

ROUND 2: Gosnells 105 (Goes 26, Leipold 19) v Joondalup 8-100 (Caddy 5-60, Bayley 3-26) & 6-184 (Short 82, Leipold 27).

ROUND 3: Gosnells 245 (Turner 44, Bailey 44, Norwood 68) drew Wanneroo 2-51 (Caddy 1-29, Bayley 1-11).

ROUND 4: Gosnells 216 (Turner 53, Norwood 37) & 4-55 (Leipold 23no) d Willetton 195 (Caddy 8-80, Marklew 1-21).

ROUND 5: Gosnells 244 (Leipold 65, Turner 56 tied Fremantle 9-244 (Caddy 4-85, Marklew 2-39).

ROUND 6: Gosnells 235 (Goes 52, Turner 46, Caddy 46) & 0-28 (Leipold 16no) lost to Rockingham-Mandurah 326 (Norwood 3-26, Leipold 2-6).

SECOND GRADE

ROUND 1: Gosnells 131 (Heron 57, Shaw 27no) lost to Bayswater Morley 239 (Heron 3-32, Singh 3-43, Bayley 3-66) & 1-73.

ROUND 2: Gosnells 244 (Bland 88, Terrace 27no; Farmer 3-59, McRae 2-34) & 1-61 (Bland 34no) b Joondalup 194 (Mason 44, Standing 42; Singh 4-16, Terrace 2-36).

ROUND 3: Wanneroo 8-321 (Dixon 71, Henry 55; Terrace 2-41, Laming 4-73) b Gosnells 139 (Pike 57, Shaw 18; Dixon 5-38, Lilly 4-39) & 1-16.

ROUND 4: Willetton 263 (Maguire 56, Crognale 45; Singh 4-45, Dalton 3-52) b Gosnells 157 (Singh 54, Terrace 22; Kingston 4-33, Maguire 4-34) & 3-58 (James-Buckley 18no; Comber 2-19).

ROUND 5: Fremantle 77 (Singh 6-11, Laming 1-15) & 137 (Dalton 4-23, Singh 3-42, Terrace 2-27) lost to Gosnells OUTRIGHT 4-170dec (James-Buckley 40no, Sands 39, Bland 36, Bivens 31no) & 1-41 (Bland 31).

ROUND 6: Rockingham-Mandurah 136 (Terrace 4-35, Mobilia 4-56) & 1-53 b Gosnells 110 (Marijanich 32, Singh 23) & 178 (Sands 102no).

THIRD GRADE

ROUND 1: Gosnells 9-237 (Norwood 100, Horsman 29 d Bayswater Morley 175 (Terrace 4-24, Horsman 3-17).

ROUND 2: Joondalup 124 (Meyer 40, Morgan 28; Comb 3-21, Mercer 3-42) & 5-157 (Turner 92, Gericke 26; Taylor 5-28) b Gosnells 48 (Irwin 22, Marcel 5; Steyn 5-20, Adams 3-8) & 4-102 (Irwin 42, Taylor 27; Steyn 2-25, Meyer 1-16).

ROUND 3: Wanneroo 9-315 (Minear 72, Fawcett 61; Sibum 3-60, Taylor 2-80) drew Gosnells 1-106 (Irwin 64no, Taylor 35).

ROUND 4: Willetton 6-172 dec. (Clark 65, Ball 59no; Henderson 3-87, Acomb 2-33) & 0-18 (Basilio 15no) b Gosnells 104 (Mercer 48no, Henderson 23; Carmody 5-18, Biglin 2-16) & 84 (Henderson 34, Mercer 12; Carmody 6-33, Hall 3-15) outright.

ROUND 5: Fremantle 7-316 (Gilbert 84, Piromalli 68; Mercer 3-46, Sibum 2-48) b Gosnells 178 (Horsman 41; Moore 5-46, Da Silva 2-36).

ROUND 6: Gosnells 267 (De Boer 55, Upton 43) drew Rockingham-Mandurah 9-244 (Taylor 4-63, Horsman 3-84).

FOURTH GRADE

ROUND 1: Bayswater Morley 4-225 d Gosnells 4-162 (Newman 41, Taylor 41)

ROUND 2: Joondalup 7-237dec (Hooley 82, Berringer 62; Daw 5-60, Hicks 2-27) b Gosnells 65 (Good 5-27, Robinson 3-15) & 124 (Dib 32, Daw 27; Hooley 3-19, O'Loughlain 3-35).

ROUND 3: Wanneroo 207 (Ardagh 56, Di Carlo 34; Painter 4-3, Smith 4-46) drew Gosnells 6-60 (Goes 15no, Painter 12; Di Carlo 2-6, Rankin 2-9).

ROUND 4: Willetton 4-287 (Jones 110no, Brown 56no; Cheema 2-25) b Gosnells 109 (Roberts 39, Painter 36; Jurss 5-29, Mazzega 3-14).

ROUND 5: Gosnells 111 (Painter 56, Roberts 11; Kennedy 4-30, Alvaro 3-39) v Fremantle 2-63 (King 27no, Greer 26no; Bailey 1-10, Painter 1-25).

ROUND 6: Gosnells 184 (Goes 98, Roberts 22) & 3-64 (Roberts 24no, Garrett 19no) b Rockingham-Mandurah 112 (Smith 3-34, Painter 3-50).

UNDER 17s

ROUND 1: Gosnells 8-127 (Horsman 46, Donetta 25) lost to Bayswater Morley 8-130 (Payne 3-23, Sibum 2-28).

ROUND 2: Joondalup 9-220 (Sibum 2-27, Cornish 2-53) b Gosnells 9-142 (Payne 57, Sibum 24no).

ROUND 3: Gosnells 65 (Horsman 14) drew Wanneroo 60 (Mercer 4-19).

ROUND 4: Gosnells 9-214 (Mercer 84, Bradshaw 40) b Willetton 96 (Horsman 4-20, Dib 2-11).

ROUND 5: Fremantle 247 (Mercer 1-19, Donetta 1-34) b Gosnells 190 (Payne 57no, Bradshaw 51).

ROUND 6: Rockingham-Mandurah 241 (Payne 2-35, McRae-Lea 2-39) b Gosnells 168 (Horsman 54, Sibum 36).

UNDER 15s

ROUND 1: Gosnells 156 (Roberts 46, Neilings 29) lost to Bayswater Morley 5-254 (Neilings 2-47).

ROUND 2: Gosnells 6-160 (Roberts 66, Hale 37) b Joondalup 7-153 (Shoesmith 2-16, Byrne 2-19).

ROUND 3: Gosnells 8-170 (Roberts 76no, Neilings 21) b Wanneroo 123 (Byrne 4-12, McFarlane 2-27).

ROUND 4: Willetton 5-157 (Homer 1-16, Byrne 1-20) b Gosnells 9-149 (McFarlane 30; Cavallaro 25).

ROUND 5: Fremantle 9-182 (Byrne 3-29, Roberts 2-27) & 2-25 b Gosnells 95 (Hale

25, Satti 15; Holt 3-16, Oldham 3-18).

ROUND 6: Rockingham-Mandurah 114 (Byrne 3-19, Agostino 3-34) & 4-9 (Byrne 3-2) b Gosnells 99 (McFarlane 19, Hale 13).

WACA ONE DAY LEAGUE: ROUND 1: Gosnells 6-111 (Norwood 30) b Country XI 107 (Short 4-16, Caddy 3-25).

ROUND 2: Melville 193 (Terry 102, Clarke 24; B Bailey 2-28, Marklew 2-45) b Gosnells 9-156 (M Bailey 46, Goes 37no; James 4-21, Russell 2-27).

ROUND 3: Perth 143 (Blight 67no, Monteleone 15; Bayley 3-15, Short 3-25, Marklew 3-43) b Gosnells 139 (Short 36, Goes 27; Prescott 3-16, Hill 3-33).

ROUND 4: Mt Lawley 5-267 (Goodall 82, Beaton 70; Marklew 3-61) b Gosnells 9-262 (Short 133, Turner 27; Davis 2-44, Douglas 2-46).

COLTS

ROUND 1: Country 202 (Boughton 32, Hutchison 29; Horsman 3-31, Smith 2-29) b Gosnells 108 (Bivens 36, Sands 23; McKay 3-24, Caltsounis 2-10).

ROUND 2: Gosnells 9-142 (Bivens 25, Shaw 22; Roberts 3-23, Turner 2-24) b Melville 39 (Heron 3-3, Bivens 3-15).

ROUND 3: Gosnells 9-147 (Bivens 25) d Melville 39 (Heron 3-3, Bivens 3-15, Singh 2-9).

ROUND 4: Bye

ROUND 5: Gosnells 8-245 (Mobilia 66, Sands 59) d Perth 8-206 (Mobilia 2-37, Deboer 2-39).

ROUND 6: Bye

ROUND 7: Gosnells 147 (Mercer 48) lost to Mt Lawley 8-149 (Bivens 3-18, Heron 2-18).

MCKENZIE SHIELD (Under 14)

ROUND 1: South Perth 8-182 (Rose 3-28, McNamee 2-18) d Gosnells 9-99 (D'Silva 30).

ROUND 2: Gosnells 5-141 (Bormolini 28, Allender 26) b Perth 9-68 (Lemmer 3-7, Ridley 2-10)

ROUND 3: Willetton 6-190 b Gosnells 7-135.

ROUND 4: Melville 124 (Rose 2-10, Gudgeon 2-14) b Gosnells 93 (Ridley 27, Horsman 20)

INVERARITY SHIELD (Under 13)

ROUND 1: South Perth 4-160 d Gosnells 7-87 (Nilson 25).

ROUND 2: Perth 7-115 (Goodman 3-11, Mason 2-15) b Gosnells 8-105 (Pethick 27, Goodman 20no).

ROUND 3: Willetton 3-167 (Skinner 1-7, Russo 1-27, Gajanayake 1-27) b Gosnells 5-138 (Fuller 43, Disisto 26).

ROUND 4: Gosnells 9-107 (O'Brien 24, Fuller 20, Disisto 20) b Melville 7-99 (Mason 2-1, Disisto 2-13).



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