



25-26

ANNUAL REPORT & STATEMENTS



Presented on 29th of May, 2026

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Office Bearers & Committee Members

Season 2024/25

President	Mark Keating
Vice President	Peta Ginnane
Treasurer	Lee Smart
Secretary	Ben Rogers
Committee Members	Riley Beer Lorey Bentley Tom Humberstone Meaghan Lavelle

Life Members

V. Davies	D. Davies	L. Davies	A. Gleeson
J. Heslop	R. Lorimer	A. Smith	R. Cullinan
S. Ramsay	D. Kerss	G. Ravenscroft	G. Shoppee Snr.
C. O. Smart	P. Richardson	J. Terris	D. Lyon
P. Brownlie	J. Matthews	P. Halls	G. Watkins
L. Smart	G. Kennedy	A. Fishley	G. Matty
P. Wilson	M. Keating	B. Macdonald	S. Richardson
D. Keating	W. Allen	W. Kaszuba	G. Taylor
C. Richardson	M. Dobbie	G. Paterson	N. Keating
J. Bulbeck	R. Thomasson	B. Rogers	

Premierships

Senior Premierships		Junior Premierships	
1962/63	A Matting	2010/11	Under 15B
1967/68	C Turf	2012/13	Under 15C
1985/86	A Turf	2016/17	Under 17B
1988/89	A Turf	2019/20	Under 11A
1990/91	B Turf	2020/21	Under 16 Girls
1992/93	A Matting	2023/24	Under 15 Boys
2001/02	B Turf		
2012/13	B Turf		
2016/17	B Turf		
2021/22	Womens Div 2		
2023/24	A Turf		
2024/25	A Turf		

2025/26 Senior Award Winners

Best Clubman - Paul Richardson Award	Ben Rogers
Club Champion - Laurie Davies Award	Jacob Macdonald
President's Award – Robert MacDonald Award	Angus Raiskums
Men's Coach's Award	Tom Humberstone
Captain's Vote – Jim Terris Award	Jacob Macdonald
Duck Award	Rob Raiskums & Liam Hyland
Men's 1st XI Batting Average – Gary Kennedy Award	Jacob Macdonald – 545 @ 54.5
Men's 1st XI Bowling Average – Gary Ravenscroft Award	Brayden Macdonald – 38 @ 15.00
Women's 1st XI Batting Award	Mia Harris – 202 @ 67.33
Women's 1st XI Bowling Award	Grace Skinner – 5 @ 25.80
Women's 1st XI Coach's Award	Nyah Harb
Men's 2nd XI Batting Average	Jo Clements – 378 @ 42.00
Men's 2nd XI Bowling Average	Ross Thomasson – 24 @ 14.04
Women's 2nd XI Batting Award	Ollie D'Rozario – 299 @ 299
Women's 2nd XI Bowling Award	Ollie D'Rozario – 8 @ 13.63
Women's 2nd XI Coach's Award	Chloe Bell
Men's 3rd XI Batting Average	Jonathan Rayson-Hill – 421 @ 70.17
Men's 3rd XI Bowling Average	Liam Garcia – 11 @ 17.91
Men's 4th XI Batting Average	Angus Raiskums – 207 @ 20.70
Men's 4th XI Bowling Average	Rob Raiskums – 14 @ 25.14

Sponsors

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Female Cricket Sponsor



Junior Cricket Sponsor



Gold Sponsors

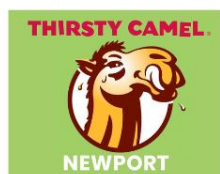


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Annual General Meeting Agenda

Date & Time:	7:00pm, Friday 29th May, 2026
Location:	Gellibrand Cricket Club, Digman Reserve

No.	Item	Responsible
1	Formalities	
1.1	Apologies	B. Rogers
1.2	Endorse minutes of previous annual general meeting	B. Rogers
2	Reports & Statements	
2.1	President's Report	M. Keating
2.2	Treasurer's Report (incl. financial statements)	L. Smart
2.3	Secretary's Report	B. Rogers
2.4	Adoption of all reports and statements	B. Rogers
3	Election of Office Bearers and Committee Members	
3.1	Election of a meeting chair to oversee appointments	B. Rogers
3.2	Dissolution of the current Committee	Chair
3.3	Election of President	Chair
3.4	Election of Vice President	Chair
3.5	Election of Treasurer	Chair
3.6	Election of Secretary	Chair
3.7	Election of General Committee Members	Chair
4	General Business	
4.1	Call for general business items	B. Rogers
5	Meeting Close	

2024/25 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Date & time:	7:30pm, Friday 30 th May, 2025
Location:	Clubrooms

	Item
1	Formalities
1.1	Apologies: B. Coddington, P. Ginnane, L. Bentley, J. Fine Attendees: R Beer, R Bolton, S Donnelly, C Doyle, T Humberstone, M Keating, M Lavelle, A Raiskums, B Rogers, L Smart, R Thomasson
1.2	Endorse minutes of previous meeting - Moved: TH - Seconded: AR <u>Carried</u>
2	Reports
2.1	<u>President's report</u> - As tabled - Really good year, with our first back-to-back premierships - Thanks to Paul, been with us for 6 years and has had great results during that time - Thanks also to Jim Ryan, took on the coaching role this year - Great appointment in Ben Coddington as Captain/Coach for 25/26, already a couple players signed - Thank you to the committee, everyone put in a lot of work and - Thanks to all the captains for their efforts in leading their respective teams this season - Thanks to the junior coaches, everyone did a terrific job, almost got all players back, a lot of improvement in skills, three teams in finals - Thanks to all of our sponsors, listed in the report and members should support them wherever they can - Good overall numbers across the board, 5 senior teams, 8 junior teams, 46 in Blasters - Social functions were well organised and well attended - Financially challenging year, next year will see an increase in player budget - All in all, a good year, happy to get another flag, about more than that, the culture is really strong
2.2	<u>Treasurer's Report (incl. financial statements)</u> - As tabled - Doesn't appear much has changed, however there have been some costs carried over to the 25/26 year \$51k in sponsorship and grants, thanks to Ben for his efforts - There are significant outgoings in bar outlay, umpires, equipment, insurance and apparel - Bar, Big Draw and Bunnings BBQ have been good fundraisers - Several costs have gone up since last year, umpires, affiliations, curator, etc. - Apparel costs have gone up significantly, had to pay previous supplier out, need to manage the ordering a bit better, need to sell what we have - Some prices need to be looked at, supply costs have gone up - RT asked about prices for bar and membership costs - Will be looked at as part of the budget settings

	Item
	○ RT asked whether we would look at investing more into training equipment ▪ BC has been asked to tell us what is needed, purchases will be made accordingly ○ RT wants to take on apparel sales leading into the season
2.3	<u>Secretary's Report</u> • As tabled
2.4	<u>Coaches Report</u> • As tabled
2.5	<u>Adoption of Annual Reports</u> • Move: TH • Second: CD • <u>Carried</u>
3.	Election of Office Bearers and Committee Members
3.1	<u>Election of a meeting chair to oversee appointments</u> • B. Rogers nominated R. Beer • Seconded: AR • <u>Carried</u> • RB dissolves the sitting Committee and declares all positions vacant
3.2	<u>Election of President</u> • BR nominated MK, accepted • Seconded: TH • <u>Carried</u>
3.3	<u>Election of Vice President</u> • MK nominated PG, accepted in absentia • Seconded: BR • <u>Carried</u>
3.4	<u>Election of Treasurer</u> • MK nominated LS, accepted • Seconded: BR • <u>Carried</u>
3.5	<u>Election of Secretary</u> • LS nominated BR, accepted • Seconded: TH • <u>Carried</u>
3.6	<u>Election of General Committee</u> • ML nominated LB, accepted in absentia • Seconded: MK • <u>Carried</u> • MK nominated ML, accepted • Seconded: AR • <u>Carried</u> • CD nominated TH, accepted • Seconded: MK • <u>Carried</u>

	Item
	• RT nominated RB, accepted • Seconded: TH • <u>Carried</u> • Thanks to R Bolton for his efforts on the 24/25 committee, the club appreciates his contribution • RB passes control of the meeting back to MK

4	General business
	• <u>R Bolton</u> ○ Have we lost any players? ▪ Some will have left from all grades, but still needs to be confirmed ▪ A few new players in the First XI, keen to bring juniors through into senior cricket • <u>M Keating</u> ○ Please pass any sponsorship leads to BR to follow up, looking to increase revenue ○ There has been a recent incident on Hobson Street, likely to be some speed reduction measures in place, please be mindful of kids crossing the road ○ A few kids involved in rep trial, boys and girls ○ When will the website be ready? BR says by end of June • <u>R Thomasson</u> ○ When will preseason start – second week of August at The Netz in Williamstown North ○ BC coming up with a schedule, looking like Monday or Friday ○ Will there be an all-club photo? Yes, will be organised for before Christmas
5.	Meeting close: 7:30pm

President's Report

Mark Keating

The 25/26 cricket season was another good year for the club. The first eleven were promoted to division 2 and were highly competitive, finishing sixth and being in finals contention up until the last round. The seconds and thirds both finished second on the ladder but were unable to bring home a flag. The seconds lost their semi-final, and the thirds went down in the grand-final. The fourths had a tough year but debuted many U15 players during the season. These juniors developed well during the season and will benefit greatly from their senior cricket experience. The women's teams did well with the competitive team finishing fifth and the social team finishing fourth.

The club appointed Ben Coddington as captain/coach at the start of the season. My thanks go to Ben for his efforts during the year. Ben has decided to concentrate on his premier coaching roles for next season. My thanks to the captains of the senior teams – Ryan Bolton, Anthony Clack and Angus Raiskums. Thanks also to Derek Hill and Paul Georgiades for coaching the competitive women's team and to Ollie D'Rozario for captaining the social team.

Congratulations to Jacob MacDonald who won the VTCA award for best player in Division 2. Along with Jacob, Brayden Macdonald was selected in the Division 2 team of the year. Congratulations to Ross Thomasson, Anthony Clack and Ollie D'Rozario who won competition batting or bowling awards. Both Jacob and Brayden are leaving to pursue opportunities at senior division level. We thank them for their service and wish them well. The club has appointed Daniel Janka as coach for next season. Daniel is an experienced coach and will have a focus on developing our senior and junior players.

The club fielded nine junior teams this season. On the boy's side, we fielded 2 U15 teams, 2 U13 teams, 1 U11 team and 2 U10 teams. One of the U13 teams made finals, and all teams were competitive during the year. More importantly, all teams had fun and the players developed their skills during the season. On the girl's side, we fielded an U13 team, a combined U16 team with Williamstown Imps and a combined U11 team with Altona.

I would like to thank all our junior coaches – Aaron Greaves, Hamish McGee, Chris Garcia, Alex Lavelle, Joe Gillett, Geoff Sherrard, Edwin Lee, Mark Darmanin, Daniel Otter, Hugh Mitchell and Andrew McCammond. The coaches did a wonderful job developing players and making sure they had fun. The test of our junior program is not only about winning games but making sure the kids have fun and continue to play the game. Our Friday night Blasters program had 42 participants, and it continues to be a reliable source of players for our junior teams. Thanks go to Ben Rogers, Peta Ginnane, Dave Presley, and Lee Smart, who helped run the Blasters every Friday night. Overall, the club had 89 seniors registered, 92 juniors and 42 Blaster participants, totalling 223 registered participants in total.

The club ran some very enjoyable social functions across the year. In particular, the trivia night, ladies wine day, past players day, the big draw, and the presentation night were all well attended.

I would like to thank all sponsors - a complete list is included in the annual report. Please give these local businesses your full support.

The club is fortunate to have a strong committee who are committed to fulfilling their roles. My thanks and appreciation go to Lee Smart (Treasurer), Ben Rogers (Secretary), Peta Ginnane (Vice

President), Tom Humberstone, Lorey Bentley, Riley Beer and Meaghan Lavelle. Thanks also to the people who helped when asked during the season. We would welcome any additional volunteers to be on the committee. We can find you a role for you without it being a great imposition on your time.

Going forward, I hope we can expand our social functions to include partners, past players, parents, and supporters. We want to see more people at the club watching our senior and junior games. The core of our senior men's playing list is made up of players from our junior programme, hopefully this continues with the U15s coming through now. Our U16 girls are now ready to play senior women's cricket.

During the season, we lost two past players who had given great service to the club in Ossie Smart and Mark Terris. Both players were at the club for many years, and our condolences go out to their families and friends. They will both be missed.

Finally, I want to thank the committee, coaches, players, sponsors, and supporters. The club has a strong committee and is in a healthy financial position. The club had a good year and continues to take steps to ensure its sustainability in future years. We are currently developing a new strategic plan to take us through to 2030 and will present this to the members at the upcoming AGM. Our vision is to be a successful club by providing a welcoming environment to the whole community. We want to be able to give people an opportunity to play cricket in a fun and learning environment.

Mark Keating

Secretary's Report

Ben Rogers

There's no getting around the fact that the 2025/26 season was a challenge. We had some considerable hurdles to overcome, we've now made some changes, and I look forward to getting into the 2026/27 season with a new approach.

On field, our results were varied; but for me, the successes were in different areas. We had continued and significant support from our sponsors, strong engagement in both junior and female cricket programs, and high participation in our Cricket Blast program.

Growth and development in all of these areas, as well as improvements in governance, are going to be driven by the new strategic plan and the Committee's commitment to delivering it. The strategy is currently being developed and requires further work and consultation with members, but the committee's focus on things like volunteer recruitment, player retention, partnerships with the community (business, schools, council), and long-term organisational sustainability, set us on a really positive path through to 2030.

Speaking of the committee, I'd like to thank Mark, Lee, Peta, Meaghan, Tom, Lorey and Riley for their commitment this season. Also, thanks to all of our volunteers, coaches, captains, team managers, etc., we are lucky to have you. A club like ours operates on much more than wickets and runs, it requires people to put their own personal aspirations and egos to one side and work hard for the collective good. We are lucky to have a committee that operates in this way year in, year out.

To our sponsors, a huge thank you for your generous and continued contributions. I hope that you all feel part of our club community and I look forward to working with you all again next season. I encourage our members to support the club's sponsors wherever possible, show some love to those who help keep the place running.

A big thank you to all of the people we've worked with during the season, Gerard Walsh, the Recreation Team at Hobsons Bay City Council, teachers from Newport Gardens, Newport Lakes, St Leo's and Sacred Heart, Melissa Horne MP, the VTCA, WRJCA and NWMCA. So much of what we do relies on good relationships and a positive reputation, which we have, but something we can't lose sight of.

2025/26 is the season that was, we will learn from it and take those lessons into 2026/27 and beyond. I'm looking forward to all of the opportunities that will present themselves when we're all working towards common objectives.

It's an exciting time to be a part of this great club – Ben.