# **COACHES' ASSOCIATION**

(Founded 2010)



# 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Report – 2016/17



Coaches on duty at our school holiday cricket clinic at Mark Taylor Oval, Waitara on 29 September 2016

Back Row: Bruce Wood (President), Daniel Wood, Rod Hokin (Head Coach), Josh Miller (Secretary), Daniel Anderson

Front Row: Jeremy Bond, Nathan Middleton, Nic Badings, Sammy McMahon, Andrew Harvey, Tom Felton, Nicky Miller

(Treasurer)

## Management Team - Executive Committee / Office Bearers



Bruce Wood (President)



Will Fiedler (Vice-President)



Josh Miller (Secretary)



Rod Hokin (Head Coach)



Nick Miller (Treasurer)

#### **General Committee**

Daniel Anderson Edwina Chappel Daniel Wood James Madden Hame Fullagar

Season / Role	President	Vice-President	Treasurer	Secretary	Head Coach
2016-17	<b>Bruce Wood</b>	Will Fiedler	Nick Miller	Josh Miller	Rod Hokin
2015-16	<b>Bruce Wood</b>	Will Fiedler	Nick Miller	Josh Miller	Rod Hokin
2014-15	Bruce Wood	Justin Epthorp	Will Fiedler	Josh Miller	Rod Hokin
2013-14	Bruce Wood	Justin Epthorp	Will Fiedler	Josh Miller	Rod Hokin
2012-13	Bruce Wood	Justin Epthorp	<b>David Bennett</b>	Josh Miller	Rod Hokin
2011-12	Bruce Wood	Mark Rushton	<b>David Bennett</b>	<b>Justin Epthorp</b>	Rod Hokin
2010-11	Bruce Wood	Mark Rushton	<b>David Bennett</b>	Mike Burgin	Rod Hokin



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### **Organisational Growth**

Season	School holiday clinics	Off-season development programs	Other coaching programs	Total player attendances (all programs)	Level 2 coaches employed	Level 1 coaches employed
2016-17	7	4	6	1,307	10	26
2015-16	7	3	6	1,345	10	23
2014-15	6	3	4	1,154	11	12
2013-14	6	3	3	875	7	14
2012-13	4	2	3	703	4	10
2011-12	3	1	2	394	4	16
2010-11	3	0	1	107	2	9

#### **Role, Functions & Objectives**

The **Coaches' Association** (HKHDCCA) is a leading cricket coaching organisation responsible for recruiting and accrediting young coaches from within HK&HDCA and north-western Sydney; and conducting junior cricket clinics during the school holidays and development programs in the off-season. HKHDCCA designs and implements coaching programs aimed at increasing the cricket participation, skills and enjoyment of boys and girls aged 5 – 15, including beginners, club players, representative standard players, and children with special needs.

We have experienced significant growth since our inception in 2010 and aim to continue to expand our subsidised (or free) coaching programs to a wider cross-section of the community, many of whom have encountered barriers or lack of



opportunities to participate in cricket, including disadvantaged groups, children from non-English speaking communities, and children with special needs. The successful implementation of these challenging initiatives should assist in facilitating sporting, cultural and social inclusion for these communities, while also promoting healthy, active lifestyles and increasing the participation rate in cricket in NSW. Responsibilities include:

- raising the profile of coaching and giving coaches a collective 'voice' within the Association;
- promoting the objective that all club and representative coaches attain the Cricket Australia Community (Level 1) accreditation as a minimum (preferably Level 2 for Representative Shield coaches);
- conducting an annual Community (Level 1) accredited coaching course for HK&HDCA and NDCC members;
- organising cricket clinics at Waitara, Hornsby, West Pennant Hills, Normanhurst and Dundas in partnership with Northern District CC during the September / October and January school holidays for players aged 6 – 14;
- conducting an annual off-season Specialist Coaching Program pitched at rep. standard players aged 11 15;
- implementing an annual off-season development coaching program for U/10 U/11 players at Hornsby over 6 Sundays during the Winter months, designed to fast-track their transition from soft to hard ball cricket;
- representing the Coaches' Association on all cricket coaching matters at the HK&HDCA Council and Executive Meetings (the HKHDCCA President is the delegate);
- providing active HKHDCCA members with professional coaching opportunities at our Junior Cricket Clinics;
   off-season development programs; and other programs where HKHDCCA provides coaching services;
- co-ordinating the annual Ross Turner Cup (U/15) and Glenn Hourigan Cup (U/13) annual 'showcase' intra-Association representative fixtures, including the preliminary GHC T20 matches;
- identifying potential outstanding young coaches and providing GHC coaching roles and other opportunities;
- providing a mentor service to coaches as required, especially new or young coaches seeking guidance;
- enhancing the development of accredited coaches and facilitating a future pathway for club and rep. coaches;
- recognising excellence in club and representative coaching through our HKHDCCA Coach of Year award (Bruce Wood Cup);
- administering a scholarship scheme designed to provide financial assistance to a limited number of candidates nominated to attend a Cricket NSW accredited coaching course (Level 1, 2 or 3);
- assisting the HK&HDCA Rep. Secretary with coaching matters relating to the representative program, including the provision of qualified coaches to rep. teams as required, and the end-of-season appraisal;
- increasing the participation of girls in cricket, in consultation with the HK&HDCA Girls Cricket Co-ordinator, through targeted coaching programs and liaison with schools and clubs, and local junior Super 8 programs;
- seeking Corporate Sponsorship and/or Grant opportunities to provide additional funding to expand and further subsidise our coaching programs, and purchase additional equipment as required;
- arranging a HKHDCCA / NDCC overseas rep. cricket tour (U/15 age group) every couple of years from 2015;
- enabling the Association to maintain a record of all Level 1 and 2 accredited coaches;
- ensuring that all HKHDCCA coaches aged 18 and over have a current Working with Children Check clearance;
- one-on-one (or small groups) private coaching on request, depending on the availability of suitable coaches;
- conducting free Beginners sessions teaching cricket fundamentals to 'first time' players aged U/8 or older;
- assisting clubs by running some coaching sessions and demonstrating coaching drills to new club coaches;
- holding two free annual clinics each year for Blowfly cricketers (children with special needs) in January and September, plus ad-hoc coaching on Saturdays, depending on the availability of coaches;
- providing cricket coaching for community groups from non-English speaking backgrounds who have encountered barriers or lack of opportunities to participate in cricket in Sydney.

#### **President's Report**

The Coaches' Association's activities continued to expand in 2016-17, with a large number of attendees at our school holiday cricket clinics and various off-season development programs, making HKHDCCA one of the largest providers of junior cricket coaching and development in NSW (refer to our organisational growth table on page 3).

We have **10 regular Level 2 coaches** and 26 x Level 1 coaches, many of whom are top Grade players at Northern District CC. Our experienced coaches are also in demand to provide private (one-on-one) professional coaching for young cricketers, especially emerging representative players. Congratulations to **Rod Hokin**, Head Coach, Coaches' Association, for winning the **Coach of Year award** (Bruce Wood Cup) in 2016-17 (see pages 32 – 33).

HKHDCCA / NDCC held **7 school holiday cricket clinics** in Sept. / Oct. 2016 and January 2017 at Mark Taylor Oval, Waitara (4 clinics); George Thornton Reserve, West Pennant Hills (2 clinics), and Curtis Oval, Dundas Park (1 clinic). Each clinic proved to be popular and beneficial for the participants with a total attendance (382) across the 7 clinics (average 55 per clinic). HKHDCCA presented its prestigious **Phillip Hughes Medal** at each school holiday clinic to recognise outstanding sportsmanship, team work, enthusiasm, performance and spirit of cricket.

HKHDCCA had a busy off-season in 2016 with our sixth **U/10 – U/11 Development Program** over 6 Sundays, plus our annual **Specialist Coaching Program**, which was sold out. This advanced program provided subsidised, high quality coaching for U/12 – U/15 players covering batting, pace & spin bowling, fielding and wicket-keeping. Access to training / coaching facilities in the district is unfortunately becoming a problem, as our access to the nets at James Park, Hornsby was reduced from 11 Sundays in the off-season (which we have had since 2011) to just 4 Sundays. This necessitated us switching our U/10 – U/11 program to Rosewood Oval, Barker College.

HKHDCCA successfully co-ordinated the annual RTC and GHC matches; held two free coaching clinics for Beginners; a Community (Level 1) accredited coaching course; and a free clinic for Blowfly Cricket, a wonderful organisation led by Mark Rushton that provides children with special needs the opportunity to play modified cricket each week. HKHDCCA also continued two coaching initiatives that we were involved in last season, being the Girls Super 8 program at Montview Oval in Term 4, 2016; and the Super 8 Blast program at Booth Park, Beecroft in Term 1, 2017 (see reports on these programs on pages 36 – 37 of this Annual Report).

HKHDCCA / NDCC conducted an **U/15 tour** to **West Indies / USA** in June / July 2017 – see pages 16 – 24. The Coaches' Association was delighted to receive a second year of **corporate sponsorship** from **Parramatta Leagues Club** in 2016-17 and thanks the club for its generous support of our youth development programs in north-western Sydney. HKHDCCA has expanded its territory and now holds clinics at Curtis Oval, Dundas Park, which is directly opposite Vikings Sports Club (owned by Parramatta LC). HKHDCCA was also pleased to receive some generous equipment sponsorship from Kookaburra Sport, as outlined on page 38 of this Annual Report. HKHDCCA also obtained a Government Grant of \$2,000 in May 2016 from the NSW Office of Sport for the project: DEVELOPMENT OF A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM AIMED AT INCREASING PARTICIPATION IN CRICKET FOR BOYS & GIRLS.

There are many people to thank for their work and support this season, including our Executive Committee comprising **Bruce Wood** (President), **Will Fiedler** (Vice-President), **Josh Miller** (Secretary), **Nick Miller** (Treasurer) and **Rod Hokin** (Head Coach). Thanks also to our Patrons (**Ross Turner**, **Tom Richmond OAM**, **Matt Kean MP** and **Mark Rushton**); our large team of dedicated coaches; **Mike Langford** (NDCC President); **Mark Rushton** (Blowfly Cricket); and the clubs and families who continually support our coaching programs.



Executive Committee - Bruce Wood, Will Fiedler, Rod Hokin, Nicky Miller & Josh Miller



# School holiday junior cricket clinics (in partnership with Northern District CC)



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The Coaches' Association conducted 7 successful cricket clinics during the school holidays in 2016-17:

George Thornton Res, WPH 26 – 27 September 2016 - 56 children and 11 coaches attended; Mark Taylor Oval, Waitara 28 – 29 September 2016 70 children and 14 coaches; Mark Taylor Oval, Waitara 4 – 5 October 2016 36 children and 7 coaches; George Thornton Res, WPH 9 - 10 January 2017 52 children and 8 coaches; Mark Taylor Oval, Waitara 11 - 12 January 2017 73 children and 11 coaches: **Curtis Oval, Dundas Park** 16 - 17 January 2017 33 children and 4 coaches: Mark Taylor Oval, Waitara 18 - 19 January 2017 - 62 children and 8 coaches;

Our popular school holiday cricket clinics were again very successful in 2016-17, with a large number of attendees (382) across the 7 junior cricket clinics held (average 55 children per clinic), making the Coaches' Association the largest *not-for-profit* junior cricket coaching organisation in NSW. The clinics cater for all cricket standards from beginners to representative standard players and the boys and girls aged between 6 and 14 received plenty of group and individual coaching from experienced coaches and **First & Second** Grade players (highlighted below).

A total of 22 coaches were engaged at these clinics – Rod Hokin (Head Coach), Bruce Wood (Co-ordinator), Josh Miller, Daniel Anderson, Nathan Middleton, Nicky Miller, Sammy McMahon (all Level 2 accredited); plus Tom Felton, Daniel Wood, Henry Hunt, John Anderson, Nic Badings, Jeremy Bond, Calvin Breytenbach, Jamie Matson, Harry Middlebrook, Ryan Tullia, Andrew Harvey, Jamie Shaw, Matt Wright, James Brown & Mackenzie Carrall (all Level 1 accredited). They all did a terrific job helping the youngsters develop their skills.

MTO, Waitara continues to be our headquarters and we thank Mike Langford, NDCC President, and Hornsby Council for their ongoing support and access to the turf cricket nets when available. The Coaches' Association was pleased to expand its territory and hold a clinic at a new venue – Curtis Oval, Dundas Park, which is an ideal setting with two ovals, two cricket nets and a centre-wicket astro pitch. This venue is between the Parramatta Juniors and the Northern Districts Cricket Association and will undoubtedly become more popular in future.

We held a 'Master Class' session at each clinic to inspire the children and to demonstrate their coaches' cricket skills. NDCC batsmen, **Henry Hunt**, **Daniel Anderson** & **John Anderson**, impressed the young players with their sound techniques and powerful stroke-play, which featured in FB videos and our photo galleries (links below):

• bit.ly/Photos-Sept-Oct-16-Clinics (September / October 2016); and bit.ly/Photos-Jan-17 (January 2017).

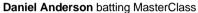
The clinics included a wide range of activities for the boys and girls, including video analysis of the bowlers' actions. The players were placed in small groups in line with their age and ability, and received specialist coaching on defensive & aggressive batting, shot selection, pace & spin bowling, catching, throwing and wicket-keeping skills; and training in the nets (astro and turf); plus a variety of coaching drills, concluding with games on the oval to reinforce the cricket skills learnt, develop team work and introduce a competitive but friendly element to the games.

The Coaches' Association presented a major award (**Phillip Hughes Medal**) at each clinic to recognise outstanding sportsmanship, team work, enthusiasm, performance and spirit of cricket. The winners in 2016-17 are shown on page 9. See historical list of HKHDCCA Phillip Hughes Medal winners – bit.ly/PHM-winners

We are confident that the majority of the boys and girls who attended our clinics in 2016-17 will be back in future, based on the very positive feedback we received from the parents and players (see some examples below):

- Great clinics as always. The coaches' knowledge and enjoyment of the game is evident and the kids respond with positive energy and always walk away from the clinics having improved skills and renewed energy to get back into the season. Cost is very reasonable. Mrs Kath Davenport
- This continues to be an excellent clinic. What my son enjoys most about the clinics is spending time with friends playing cricket. Mrs Jane Bish
- Thank you, our daughter loved the clinic and the quality coaching. Mrs Campbell
- He loved the video session at the first Waitara clinic. Great communication and discounts (from the parents of a boy who attended 3 of our clinics in January 2017)
- The individual tuition after the video and the skill level of the coaches seemed to impress our boys.







**Henry Hunt & Daniel Anderson** 



Henry Hunt enjoyed signing autographs



Head Coach Rod Hokin videoing the bowlers



Henry Hunt (Australian U/19 player) coaching a young batsman



Danielle Chivers and Lily Campbell batting against the boys' bowling at GTR on 10 January 2017 (Coach – Jamie Matson)





Group photo of the players and coaches - Mark Taylor Oval, Waitara - 11 January 2017



Terrific panoramic photo showing 5 matches taking place concurrently – Mark Taylor Oval, Waitara – 12 January 2017







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Henry Hunt, Amardeep Gill, Bruce Wood (GTR - 26-27 Sept. 2016)



Josh Miller, Marcus Ridley, Rod Hokin (MTO - 28-29 Sept. 2016)



Josh Miller, Cam Tunks, Tom Felton (MTO - 4-5 Oct. 2016)



Jamie Matson, Marco Levy, Bruce Wood (GTR - 9-10 Jan. 2017)



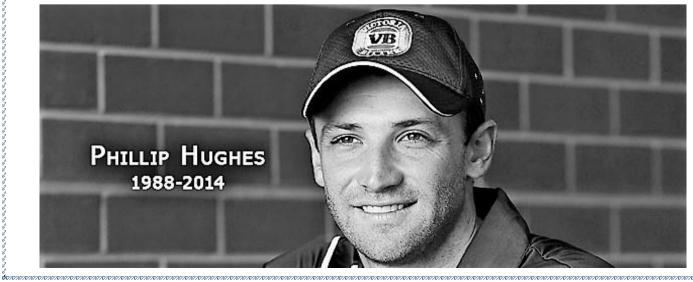
J. Anderson, Jarod Baxter, D. Anderson (MTO - 11-12 Jan. 2017)



N. Miller, Keerthekan Nagarajah, J. Miller Josh Miller, Dylan Bish, Bruce Wood (Dundas - 16-17 Jan. 2017)



(MTO - 18-19 Jan. 2017)



#### U/10 - U/11 Off-season Development Program - 2016

The Coaches' Association held its sixth annual U/10 – U/11 Development Program over six Sundays (1 May, 22 May, 26 June, 3 July, 24 July & 31 July) at a terrific new venue, Rosewood Oval, Barker College, Hornsby. We thank Steve Thomlinson, Director of Boys' Sport at Barker College, for the short-notice access to the school's facilities after James Park, Hornsby became unavailable due to the HK&HDCA rep. cricket training. Our program provided boys and girls with properly structured coaching from accredited Level 1 and 2 coaches in small groups to learn the fundamentals and correct techniques, which assists their transition from soft to hard ball cricket.

Two (2 hour) sessions were held on each date from 8.30am – 10.30am and 10.30am – 12.30pm and we averaged approximately 50 registrations on each date, although on occasions attendances were down due to clashes with other Winter sports and some off-season rep. cricket, age group squad training. This beneficial HKHDCCA U/10 – U/11 Development Program ensures that all players improve their skills in batting, pace & spin bowling, wicket-keeping and fielding, while making new friends and participating in healthy, outdoor physical activity.

The development program included batting & bowling in the nets (with an additional specialist batting coach for one-on-one coaching for all batsmen); front & back foot defence, drives, cuts & pull shots; refinement of bowling actions where necessary, including techniques to keep the seam upright using dual-coloured balls; short & longer catching and throwing; ground fielding; calling and running between the wickets, and wicket-keeping skills.

The accredited HKHDCCA coaches engaged during this program were **Rod Hokin** (Head Coach), **Bruce Wood** (Co-ordinator), **Josh Miller, Nicky Miller, Will Fiedler** (Level 2 accredited); plus **Daniel Wood, Hame Fullagar, James Madden, John Anderson, Baxter Holt, Andrew Harvey, James Brown** (Level 1 coaches).



Players and coaches at Rosewood Oval, Barker College - 22 May 2016







#### Specialist Coaching Off-season Program - 2016

The Coaches' Association held its fourth annual Specialist Coaching Off-season Program, which provided subsidised, high quality coaching for U12 – U15 players covering batting, pace & spin bowling, match-play and wicket-keeping. The sessions took place from 9.30am to 4.00pm over four Sundays – 15 May, 29 May & 17 July at James Park, Hornsby, and 28 August 2016 at Rosewood Oval, Barker College, Hornsby, and all the coaching sessions were sold out well before the start of the program.

This specialist coaching program was ideal for representative standard players and stronger club players who were looking to significantly improve their skills before the 2016-17 cricket season. Many of the participants enjoyed their most successful season in representative cricket after attending this high-level coaching program.

The accredited coaches engaged during this Specialist Program were Rod Hokin (Head Coach), Bruce Wood (Co-ordinator), Josh Miller, Will Fiedler, Nicky Miller, Sammy McMahon (Level 2 coaches), plus Daniel Wood, Nick McNay, Hame Fullagar, John Anderson, James Madden, Daniel Donaldson, Baxter Holt, Sam Fanning, Andrew Harvey, Ryan Tullia (Level 1 coaches).



Rod Hokin with Jack Nati

The Coaches' Association received almost 100 registrations a day over the 4 sessions, which was very pleasing. HKHDCCA engaged lots of experienced coaches and adopted its usual small Coach / Player ratios to ensure individualised coaching in small groups. The specialist coaching sessions were designed as a 4-week progressive program, not one-off sessions. Most of the young players were booked into two sessions on each date, eg. Batting and Pace Bowling; or Batting and Spin Bowling / Wicket-keeping, and a discount in fees was applicable.

The program included video analysis of the bowlers' actions, use of the Association's bowling machine for the batting sessions, use of our iPad coaching software, and use of the new Bowling Master length mats (see photos below). Rod Hokin (HKHDCCA Head Coach) provided the following assessment of the Bowling Master products:

As a coach, the Bowling Master gear has been a great tool to use with the players I work with, allowing instant feedback for both batters and bowlers. It is simple to use and very effective in allowing batters to judge length and providing guidance for bowlers in terms of their accuracy and consistency. They can be used in team training sessions, coaching clinics, or by individual bowlers practising on their own. An excellent product and very beneficial for cricketers of all ages. The Coaches' Association is pleased to have been involved in the initial trialing and testing of these products, which can now be purchased from good retail sporting outlets.

The Coaches' Association again received very positive feedback from the players and their parents and this Specialist Coaching Program is an important ongoing component of our annual coaching operations.



The Coaches' Association plays a key role in the local cricket community, as it continues to make a significant impact on increasing coaching numbers and



Bruce Wood, Tim O'Brien (Bowling Master) & Rod Hokin

capabilities, and fast-tracking the cricket development of young players of all standards. Our dedicated executive committee of volunteers provides leadership and direction to HKHDCCA, which enhances our reputation as a *not-for-profit* sporting organisation, capably backed up by an outstanding group of young, enthusiastic coaches.

#### **Ross Turner Cup**

The Coaches' Association continues to be responsible for organising the annual RTC and GHC fixtures, our showcase intra-HK&HDCA junior representative events. The 19<sup>th</sup> annual RTC match took place on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at Turramurra Oval. HKHDCCA appointed two emerging coaches – **Hame Fullagar** (West) and **Nick Miller** (East), who did a terrific job. The RTC captains were **Jordy Hayes** (West) and **Joe Hiley** (East). Experienced umpires **Bruce Wood** and **Geoff Hasler** were appointed to officiate their 11<sup>th</sup> RTC match.

Thanks to Kookaburra Sport (**Cameron Eve**) for supplying the match balls, stumps and Player of Match award. The official souvenir RTC program can be accessed via this link: bit.ly/RTC-Program-2016, and the full scorecard and some terrific team and action photos taken by **Mohamed Rizme Cassim** can be accessed via the HKHDCCA (Coaches) folder on the Association's website. Check out the RTC photo gallery – bit.ly/RTC-photos-2016

**RTC West 198** [50 overs] (L. Shaw 84, J. Hayes 48, P. Gall 20, K. Chu 5/19, A. Surace 3/20) def. **RTC East 69** [37 overs] (K. Krishnan 16, J. Nisbet 3/7, I. D'Souza 3/4)





RTC and GHC Captains, Coaches, Umpires & Special Guests – 2016/17

Back Row: Alf James OAM, Scott Reid, Nick Miller, Tom Richmond OAM, Ross Turner, Hame Fullagar,

**Bruce Wood, Geoff Hasler** 

Front Row: Rashad Rizme, Dhruva Thorat, Joe Hiley, Oliver Jennings, Glenn Hourigan, Patrick Xie,

Jordy Hayes, Riley Behlevanas, Shivraj Rana



Matt Kean MP – Member for Hornsby, with the RTC players and umpires after the match



Bruce Wood (President, Coaches' Association and RTC / GHC Convenor) conducted the official introductions



RTC East & West teams, Coaches, Umpires & Special Guests at Turramurra Oval on 25 September 2016



Lachlan Shaw (84) - top-scorer



Kenneth Chu (5/19) – best bowling figures

#### Glenn Hourigan Cup

HK&HDCA's showcase junior representative match called the Glenn Hourigan Cup (GHC) has been held since 2003-04 and features the outstanding players in our district from the U/13 age group and below. The 14<sup>th</sup> annual East v. West GHC contest was held on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at Karuah Park, Turramurra.

The GHC T20 matches were played a fortnight earlier on Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at Montview Oval, Hornsby Heights, with 4 teams of 12 boys playing two exciting T20 matches, which included a Super Over after a Tied result. The Marsh T20 team won the final – congratulations to Coach - **Dhruva Thorat** and Captain - **Patrick Xie**.

The Coaches' Association provided opportunities for some impressive young coaches, with **Shivraj Rana** & **Dhruva Thorat** (East) and **Riley Behlevanas** & **Rashad Rizme** (West) coaching the GHC teams. All four lads guided their teams very impressively.

**Scott Reid** and **Alf James** OAM enjoyed umpiring this GHC match together for the first time. We were delighted that **Glenn Hourigan** and his wife **Margaret** could attend.

The official souvenir GHC program bit.ly/GHC-Program-2016, full scorecard and photo gallery bit.ly/GHC-photos-2016 compiled by **Mohamed Rizme Cassim** can be accessed via the HKHDCCA (Coaches) folder on the Association's website.

GHC East 1/145 [36.3 overs] (C. Tunks 60no, P. Xie 44no, B. Davenport 23) def.

GHC West 9/139 [50 overs] (M. Marden 35, A. Weston 31, W. McFadden 14no, A. Gill 14, A. Lath 5/14)

NEW GHC RECORDS – 110 run unbroken second-wicket partnership between **Cameron Tunks** and **Patrick Xie** – highest in GHC history (all wickets). **Avikshit Lath** (5/14) – first 5 wicket haul by a bowler in GHC history.

<u>GHC to First Grade Cricket</u> – HK&HDCA officials are delighted that we have **six** GHC graduates to First Grade cricket in Sydney – **Lachlan Ford, Ben Phillips & Daniel Anderson** (Northern District); **Scott Copperfield & Matt Taylor** (Parramatta); and **Guy Seymour** (Western Suburbs, Fairfield-Liverpool & St George)



GHC East & West teams, Coaches, Umpires & Special Guests at Turramurra Oval on 25 September 2016



Alf James OAM (umpire) conducted the presentations



Cameron Tunks & Alistair Weston

#### GLENN HOURIGAN CUP T20 MATCHES - SUNDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2016 - MONTVIEW OVAL, HORNSBY HEIGHTS



<u>Back row</u>: Bruce Wood, Shivraj Rana, Rashad Rizme, Dhruva Thorat, Riley Behlevanas, Toby Norrish Front row: Alistair Weston, Oliver Jennings, Patrick Xie, Toby Pilbeam

FINCH	MARSH	WARNER	STARC
Rashad Rizme (Coach)	Dhruva Thorat (Coach)	Riley Behlevanas (Coach)	Shivraj Rana (Coach)
Oliver Jennings (C)	Patrick Xie (C)	Toby Pilbeam (C)	Alistair Weston (C)
Jackson Rishworth (v-c)	Billy Jameson (w-k) (v-c)	Sean McAllister (v-c)	Blake Harris (v-c)
Amardeep Gill	Will McCarroll	Shaan Bakshi	Max Marden
Benjamin Fisher	Blake Davenport	William Moody	Joshua Ramachandran
Joseph Calusic	Daniel Hoare	Ben Hunter	Nilesh Nadanapatham
Josh Henderson	Keerthekan Nagarajah	Mikesh Wijesina	Benjamin Elliot (w-k)
Kyal Cruikshank (w-k)	Oscar Keyes	David Curtis	Avikshit Lath
Harjio Singh	Cooper Goodchild	Cameron Tunks	William McFadden
Aryan Nagra	Max Rose	Ridge Pereira	Elijah Stead
Vansh Bhatia	Jamieson Hedges	Jack Nati	Noah Keast
Manas Bansal	Jack Wiggins	Sidhant Singh	Thomas Kohlhagen
Peter Murray	Kye Thornley	Jordan Netto (w-k)	Charlie James

Marsh 7/76 (J. Hedges 13 ret., B. Jameson 12 ret., A. Lath 3/10, C. James 2/2, B. Elliot w-k – 3 dismissals) tied Starc 5/76 (B. Harris 23 ret., M. Marden 13 ret., J. Ramachandran 13, B. Elliot 12, J. Hedges 1/4 incl. last over)

SUPER OVER – Marsh 0/11 def. Starc 1/3.

Warner 1/101 (C. Tunks 25 ret., T. Pilbeam 25 ret., J. Netto 14no, S. McAllister 14, J. Nati 9 ret.) def. Finch 6/87 (O. Jennings 23 ret., K. Cruikshank 20 ret., J. Henderson 15no, P. Murray 14, S. McAllister 2/2)

Finch (3) 5/71 (A. Nagra 14 ret., A. Gill 14, O. Jennings 9no, M. Marden 2/9) def.

Starc (4) 8/70 (A. Weston 25no, A. Lath 11, W. McFadden 10, J. Calusic 3/3, P. Murray 2/1, O. Jennings 2/6)

Marsh (1) 7/105 (W. McCarroll 21, P. Xie 19no, B. Jameson 15no, O. Keyes 14, R. Pereira 2/12) def.

Warner (2) 7/100 (S. McAllister 17 ret., W. Moody 15 no, M. Wijesina 13, D. Hoare 2/7)







#### COACHES' ASSOCIATION / NORTHERN DISTRICT CC U/15 CRICKET TOUR TO WEST INDIES - JUNE / JULY 2017

The Coaches' Association partnered NDCC on an exciting U/15 cricket tour to the West Indies and USA from 26 June to 14 July 2017. The organising committee comprising **Rod Hokin** (Head Coach), **Bruce Wood** (Tour Manager / Umpire) and **Josh Miller** (Assistant Coach / Treasurer) took the following team of 14 players overseas:

- 1. Lachlan Shaw (w-k) (Capt)
- 2. Joe Hiley (Capt)
- 3. Jarod Baxter
- 4. Jayden Camp
- 5. William Coffey
- 6. Cooper Davenport
- 7. Lachlan Fisher

- 8. Jordan Fullagar
- 9. Aidan Jackson
- 10. Oscar Kirk
- 11. Corey Miller
- 12. Varun Ravindran
- 13. Charlie Rose
- 14. Lachlan Roughley



Back Row: Jayden Camp, Oscar Kirk, Jarod Baxter, Aidan Jackson, Corey Miller, Varun Ravindran, Jordan Fullagar, Cooper Davenport

Front: Will Coffey, Charlie Rose, Bruce Wood (Manager), Lachlan Shaw (Capt), Rod Hokin (Head Coach), Joe Hiley (Capt), Josh Miller (Asst. Coach), Lachlan Fisher, Lachlan Roughley



The team played 8 matches in Barbados, however the scheduled match in Southern California was cancelled. The full touring party to the West Indies and USA totaled 37 people, comprising 14 players, 3 officials and 20 family supporters. As well as the cricket, everyone enjoyed some memorable tourist attractions, including a day at Universal Studios; the Butterfly Beach Hotel (our base in Barbados); the beautiful beaches along the Barbados coast; a *Jammin'* Catamaran cruise under the Caribbean sun; a bus and walking tour of Bridgetown; the Oistins night-life in Barbados; the Barbados Cricket museum; a T20 Final at Kensington Oval (Test Cricket venue where Australia won the 2007 World Cup final); a day at Disneyland; a tour of the LA Angels baseball complex; the Citadel Shopping Outlets in Los Angeles; our final presentation dinner in Anaheim; and visits to the Griffith Observatory; Hollywood Blvd, Mann's Chinese Theatre; Sunset Blvd; and the famous Santa Monica Pier & beach.

Three impressive photo galleries have been set up (see links below), featuring over 1,000 photos taken by our wonderful parent photographers on tour – Shane Rose, Simon Coffey, Glenn & Lindsay Baxter, Ravi Purushotham and Judy Shaw. Refer to Northern District Times newspaper article on our touring team: bit.ly/NDTimes-20-6-17

bit.ly/WI-1\_14-players individual cricket photos of the 14 players

• bit.ly/WI-2-matches team and match-day cricket photos

• bit.ly/WI-3-social social / tourist activities on the tour

The scores from our 8 matches are summarised below, which clearly reflect a successful tour (6 wins and 2 losses to U/17 teams). After winning our first 4 matches on tour quite easily (batting first), our officials were introduced to Steven Leslie, Director of Cricket, Barbados Cricket Association, who arranged a match against the Barbados U/17 National Team at the 3Ws Oval, a First Class venue within the campus of the University of the West Indies. It was a great experience playing against some future West Indian Test players and this proved to be a tour highlight.

Bruce Wood enjoyed the company of a regular umpiring partner in 6 of the 8 matches in Barbados, Anthony Farrell ('Indian'), who became a great friend of our team. He organised our fifth match on tour against Combernere School U/17 team at the famous Empire CC. Refer to our detailed Tour Report at this link – bit.ly/WI-Report-17

Match 1 (29 June 2017) – at Queens College, Husbands, St James, Bridgetown, Barbados Coaches' Association / Northern District CC U/15 9/124 [30 overs] (C. Rose 50, L. Shaw 27, J. Armstrong 3/14) def. Queens College U/15 7/66 [30 overs] (J. Fullagar 3/6, L. Shaw 2 stumpings) by 58 runs

Match 2 (30 June 2017) – at Desmond Haynes Oval, Black Rock, Barbados

Coaches' Association / Northern District CC U/15 6/204 [35 overs] (J. Camp 64no, W. Coffey 48, L. Shaw 39) def. Graydon Sealy Secondary School 31 [19.4] (C. Davenport 3/1, L. Roughley 2/1, O. Kirk 2/9) by 173 runs

Match 3 (2 July 2017) – at Desmond Haynes Oval, Black Rock, Barbados

Coaches' Association / NDCC U/15 5/202 [35 overs] (C. Rose 64, L. Shaw 60 [109 run 2<sup>nd</sup> wicket partnership], C. Miller 20no, J. Hiley 19, N. Forde 3/28) def. **Desmond Haynes Young Lions Academy (Carlton Junior Cricket) 74** [26 overs] (R. Williams 34, J. Hiley 5/16, V. Ravindran 2/10) by 128 runs

Match 4 (3 July 2017) – at Combermere School, Waterford, St. Michael, Barbados Coaches' Association / NDCC U/15 5/131 [17 overs] (C. Miller 50, J. Camp 51no) def. Combermere School U/15 44 [12.3 overs] (A. Jackson 3/1, L. Fisher 2/13, J. Baxter 2/13) by 87 runs

Match 5 (4 July 2017) – at Empire Cricket Club, Bank Hall, Bridgetown, Barbados Coaches' Association / NDCC U/15 132 [31.4 overs] (J. Camp 28, J. Hiley 19, J. Baxter 18, J. Fullagar 16, S. Marshall 2/8, N. Holder 2/9) lost to Combermere School U/17 194 [29.5 overs] (S Marshall 53, D Niles 45, S Braithwaite 37, L. Roughley 5/41, J. Camp 2/16, C. Rose 3 catches) by 62 runs

Match 6 (6 July 2017) – at 3Ws Oval, Cave Hill campus, University of the West Indies, Barbados Coaches' Association / NDCC U/15 79 [35.2 overs] (C. Davenport 11, L. Shaw 10, J. Camp 10, R. Headley 4/14) lost to Barbados U/17 National Team 7/275 [45 overs] (N. Reifer 85, Z. Clark 37, M. Forde 32, T. Gibson 29no, J. Camp 3/46, J. Hiley 3/47) by 197 runs

Match 7 (7 July 2017) – at Franklyn Stephenson Academy, Cockade House, Bennetts, St Thomas, Barbados Coaches' Association / NDCC U/15 8/233 [40 overs] (C. Rose 64no, W. Coffey 54no [122 run unbroken 9<sup>th</sup> wicket partnership], J. Camp 36, J. Fullagar 26, M. Simmons 3/25, N. Collymore 2/21) def. Barbados Cricket Association U/15 Select XI 201 [38.2 overs] (J. St Hill 60, T. O'Neal 45no, J. Hiley 2/12, C. Davenport 2/38, W. Coffey 2/41) by 32 runs

Match 8 (8 July 2017) – at Franklyn Stephenson Academy, Cockade House, Bennetts, St Thomas, Barbados Coaches' Association / NDCC U/15 1/343 [38 overs] (L. Shaw 100 ret., L. Fisher 100 ret. [217 run unbroken 1st wicket partnership], C. Miller 65no, J. Baxter 39no [107 run unbroken 2nd wicket partnership]) def. Franklyn Stephenson Academy 147 [35.5 overs] (J. Layne 50no, J. Fullagar 3/28, J. Baxter 2/22) by 196 runs



























































Bruce Wood President, Coaches' Association Manager, West Indies Tour 2017



#### Dear Bruce.

As General Manager of Cricket Performance at Cricket NSW, I would like to wholeheartedly support this tour to Barbados and the USA, which has been organised by the Coaches' Association (HKHDCCA) and Northern District Cricket Club in north-western Sydney. I would like to congratulate all the partners that have come together to make this tour a reality.

Cricket NSW is the number one producer of playing, coaching and umpiring talent in Australia. We are very proud of this and we achieve this through the pathways that we have developed over time. Cricket NSW invests a great deal of time and money in developing our players, coaches and umpires to achieve our aim.

Having said that, without the support of associations like the HKHD Cricket Coaches' Association, volunteers and parents, we would not be as successful as we are today. Congratulations to all stakeholders on your vision to provide young cricketers with an opportunity for a cricketing and cultural experience like no other. These young cricketers will not only have an opportunity to develop as players, but as people in our global community.

Barbados is very close to my heart, having worked for the West Indies Cricket Board as part of the senior men's coaching staff between 2004 and 2007. It is arguably the hub of player development in the Caribbean. The three W's, Sir Frank Worrell, Sir Everton Weekes and Sir Clyde Walcott are legends of the world game. So too are Joel Garner, Malcom Marshall and, of course, Sir Garfield Sobers, the greatest all-rounder to ever play.

To the tourists, the people of Barbados are exceptionally knowledgeable on their cricket and their young players are very talented. You will enjoy the hospitality of the Barbados' people off the field and highly competitive matches on the field. You will certainly play against future first-class players and most likely, some future international cricketers. Savour the moment of the different national culture and cricket culture, wrapped up in the beautiful package that the natural beauty of Barbados has to offer. I can guarantee that the beaches are white, the water as blue as you will ever see and the turtles will swim up to you encouraging you to feed them.

Good luck on your tour and enjoy this 'once in a lifetime' experience.

Yours sincerely

David Moore

General Manager, Cricket Performance

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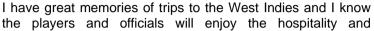






#### Message from Mark Taylor AO

Firstly, I would like to offer my congratulations to the Northern District Cricket Club and the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai & Hills District Cricket Coaches' Association (HKHDCCA) for this great initiative. It is a wonderful partnership that provides young local cricketers the opportunity to experience cricket in other countries. Following on from the successful tour of Sri Lanka two years ago, the tour this year will embrace the West Indies and the USA.

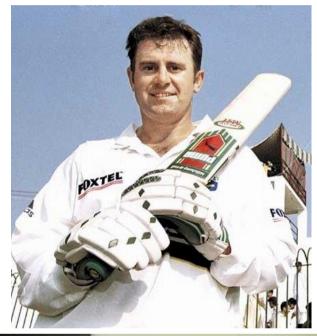




friendships that come with touring, as well as being great ambassadors for the game. My recollections of touring the Caribbean in 1991 and 1995 with the Australian cricket team are of tough competitive cricket, played in a relaxed and colourful atmosphere. I'm sure all tourists will enjoy not only the cricket, but the entire Caribbean experience. To the whole touring party, I wish the very best for the tour and the future. I know that all of us who love and watch the game of cricket are delighted to see these kinds of tours, which provide for the development of cricket not only in Australia, but throughout the world. All the best.

#### **Mark Taylor** AO









Mark Taylor AO played 104 Test matches for Australia (1989-99); 50 as Captain. Highest Test score – 334 no. Australian of the Year - 1999; Hall of Fame - Cricket Australia and CNSW; Life Member – Northern District CC; Hon. Life Member – MCC Lords. Current cricket commentator – Channel 9, and a Director of Cricket Australia.

## ITINERARY - U/15 Tour to West Indies & USA - June / July 2017

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Monday	26 June	Day 1	0650am – assemble at Sydney International Airport (Qantas check-in). 0950am – depart Sydney for Los Angeles (flight QF 11) Airbus A380. 0630am – arrive LAX Airport (crossed international dateline, back in time). Free shuttle bus to hotel. 9.00am – depart for day at Universal Studios. 1900pm – Coach transport to Crowne Plaza LAX Airport Hotel, Los Angeles.
Tuesday	27 June	Day 2	0430am – check into LAX Airport (American Airlines – Terminal 4). 0730am – Fight AA 0068 from Los Angeles to Miami – arrive 1552pm. 1745pm – depart Miami Airport – flight AA 2393 bound for Barbados. 2130pm – arrive at Grantley Adams International Airport, Barbados. Transfer to Butterfly Beach Hotel, Oistins, Barbados (our base in West Indies)
Wednesday	28 June	Day 3	Morning swim (pool and ocean). Afternoon team training session.
Thursday	29 June	Day 4	Match 1 – against Queens College, Barbados. Lunch provided (all matches). Catch ZR taxis (Bongo vans) to a local eatery for dinner.
Friday	30 June	Day 5	<b>Match 2</b> – v. Graydon Sealy Secondary School at Desmond Haynes Oval. Barbados Cricket Association (BCA) Sagicor General T20 Championship Final between University of West Indies and St. Catherine at Kensington Oval.
Saturday	1 July	Day 6	Tour / shopping / lunch at Bridgetown, Barbados. Legends of Barbados West Indies Cricket Museum. Carlisle Beach – swimming. Dinner – Oistins Fish Fry Restaurant.
Sunday	2 July	Day 7	Match 3 – against Carlton Junior Cricket Academy at Desmond Haynes Oval.
Monday	3 July	Day 8	<b>Match 4</b> – T20 game against the U/15 team of Combermere School, Saint Michael, Barbados, which has produced four West Indies Test Captains.
Tuesday	4 July	Day 9	Match 5 – against Combermere School U/17 team at Empire Cricket Club.
Wednesday	5 July	Day 10	0745am – pick up for Bridgetown – free Catamaran Tour – sail under the Caribbean sun along the Barbados' West Coast, anchoring for snorkel, swim with the turtles, dive on ship wrecks, lunch and drinks all day.
Thursday	6 July	Day 11	1500pm – Return to hotel. Bongo van to Rockley Beach for swim and dinner.  Match 6 – against the Barbados U/17 National team at the 3Ws Oval (First Class venue), located in the University of the West Indies, which is named in memory of three great Barbados and West Indies cricketers –
Friday	7 July	Day 12	Sir Frank Worrell, Sir Clyde Walcott and Sir Everton Weekes.  Match 7 – against Barbados Cricket Association Select XI at the Franklyn Stephenson Academy Ground at Cockade House, Bennetts, Saint Thomas.  Dinner at the famous Oistins "fish fry" restaurant area, popular with the locals; great food and music, plus a night market – great atmosphere.
Saturday	8 July	Day 13	Match 8 – against the Franklyn Stephenson Junior Cricket Academy.  Dinner – Tiki Bar, Rockley's Beach (whole 37 member touring party).
Sunday	9 July	Day 14	0400am – depart hotel for flight to Miami and onto Los Angeles. 0700am – depart on flight AA 2725 bound for Miami – arrive 1054am. 1410pm – depart on flight AA 2543 for LAX Airport – arrive 1615pm. Transfer to Super 8 Hotel in Orange County, Anaheim, near Disneyland.
Monday	10 July	Day 15	AM – Citadel Shopping Outlets in Los Angeles. PM – Tour of LA Angels baseball complex in Anaheim. 1900pm – Final Tour Dinner and awards for the players.
Tuesday	11 July	Day 16	Disneyland, Anaheim (all day and evening; return to hotel at 2200pm).
Wednesday	12 July	Day 17	0930am – depart hotel for Griffith Observatory in Hollywood hills. Los Angeles – Hollywood Blvd, Mann's Chinese Theatre, Sunset Blvd. PM – lunch and swim at the famous Santa Monica Pier / Beach (Route 66) 2000pm – depart for LAX Airport (Qantas check-in at Tom Bradley Terminal). 2330pm – depart LAX on Qantas Flight QF 12 bound for Sydney.
Thursday	13 July	Day 18	In transit across the international dateline.
Friday	14 July	Day 19	0920am – arrive at Sydney International Airport – clear customs and immigration. HOME.

#### BRIEF PROFILE ON THE COACHES' ASSOCIATION'S FOUR PATRONS



#### **Ross Turner**

Ross is one of HK&HDCA's most famous products, starting his junior cricket career at Pennant Hills CC, then HK&HDCA rep. teams, before becoming a specialist left-handed batsman and Northern District CC's most successful captain, winning two First Grade premierships. As a young player, Ross was a brilliant all-rounder who batted

beautifully, bowled right-arm leg-spin, and was without peer in the field.

Ross worked for Cricket NSW and Cricket Australia, pioneering development activities, before continuing his magnificent contribution to cricket by working for the International Cricket Council (ICC) in the development of cricket in overseas countries such as Bangladesh, China, Malaysia, Afghanistan and India.

HK&HDCA's annual 'showcase' U/15 representative match (Ross Turner Cup) is named in his honour and has been held successfully since 1998-99, producing 24 First Grade players in Sydney.

In recent years, Ross has worked as the Director of Cricket at Newington College and he is also the GPS Cricket Convenor.



**Matt Kean MP** – Member for Hornsby; NSW Minister for Innovation & Better Regulation.

Matt studied a Bachelor of Business at the University of Technology, Sydney where he was actively involved in student politics. In 2008, he was elected as Vice-President of the Young Liberals in NSW.

In 2011, after working as a Chartered Accountant at

PricewaterhouseCoopers, Matt was elected as the State Member for Hornsby. After just four years as a Member of Parliament, he was appointed as the Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer. On 30 January 2017, Matt became the Minister for Innovation & Better Regulation, with responsibility for NSW Fair Trading.

Matt has a great love for the game of cricket. He played for Berowra Cricket Club for many years and his highest score was 99 not out. His best bowling figures were 9/50 in a Grand Final, which Berowra lost.

Matt is a strong supporter of community organisations in our area and is a Patron of both HK&HDCA and the Coaches' Association. He has actively lent his support to the Coaches' Association in many ways, including endorsing our submissions for Government Grants through the NSW Office of Sport.

#### Tom Richmond OAM

Tom has enjoyed 50+ years of continuous involvement in cricket coaching, including various school & club teams, inter-district HK&HDCA representative teams, NDCC U/16 AW Green Shield teams. Northern Cricket 'Winter Spin' off-season development programs, and the HK&HDCA U/15 Ross Turner Cup fixtures (see



summary of his coaching career - bit.ly/Tom-Richmond).

He is best renowned for his coaching the Northern District CC AW Green Shield team for 16 seasons, including winning the club's first Green Shield, as well as several undefeated seasons as coach / manager.

He also spent two decades coaching HK&HDCA representative teams, mainly U/16 Watson Shield, with considerable innovation and success.

Tom received the Order of Australia Medal (OAM) in 2002 for his services to youth through education and cricket, and for researching the history of Hornsby.

He was inducted as a Life Member of the Coaches' Association in 2014; a Life Member of NDCC in 2012; and a Life Member of HK&HDCA in 1981.

#### **Mark Rushton**

Mark is a former President of HK&HDCA and is a Level 2 accredited cricket coach who ran the Association's representative cricket program for many years. He was inducted as a Life Member of HK&HDCA in 2012.

He is best known as the founder (in 2009) of Blowfly Cricket, a wonderful organisation of volunteers who provide children



with special needs the opportunity to play a hybrid form of cricket at an expanding number of centres in Sydney, including James Park, Hornsby. The children's special needs include autism, Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, Asperger's, verbal & hearing deficits. The Coaches' Association holds free coaching clinics for the Blowfly cricketers each year at Mark Taylor Oval, Waitara.

Mark was crowned as the NSW Volunteer of the Year for 2015 by The Centre for Volunteering – the State's peak body for volunteering, which highlights the contribution that 2.1 million volunteers make in NSW. Mark won the overall major award in 2015 ahead of 7,000+ nominees!

The Blowies have played cricket on the SCG outfield during the lunch break in some recent Test matches and Mark's inspirational organisation featured in a 2015 Cricket Australia video – refer: bit.ly/Blowfly

#### **NORTHERN DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB**



**NSW Blues Matador Cup Premiers**Dan Hughes, Harry Conway, Chris Green, Nathan Lyon



Ross Turner presenting Clayton Waters
Clubman of the Year

#### One of the most successful seasons the Club has ever had ...

- ND's Test player Nathan Lyon did well in India and cemented his name as Australia's greatest off-spinner
- Sheffield Shield players: Daniel Hughes & Harry Conway both had good seasons. Dan must be in the headlights now of the Australian selectors
- BBL players: Sixers Brad Haddin & Dan Hughes. Thunder Chris Green. Renegades Andrew Harriott
- 1st in Club Championship
- 1<sup>ST</sup> Grade T20 Premiers
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Premiers
- 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grades making the finals rounds. 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Grand Finalists.
- AW Green Shield Minor Premiers and Grand Finalists
- Andrew Harriott and Henry Hunt playing Futures XI
- Women's Brewer Shield Premiers. 1st Grade Grand Finalists
- Lauren Smith represented in the Australian Shooting Stars

This hugely successful season can be summed up by a catch phrase introduced by our Club Captain, Clayton Waters ... #ALLIN. It was an "all in" effort from everyone involved with the club. This includes **Bruce Wood**, who works tirelessly in producing our joint ventures. The Coaches' Association and NDs continue to do great things together! This year the 'partnership' is sending an U/15 representative team to the West Indies and USA! Thanks to **Bruce Wood**, **Rod Hokin** & **Josh Miller** for their enormous commitment to providing great cricket experiences for local juniors, from Coaching Clinics to overseas tours, to playing Grade for NDs. It's a great pathway!

Another great achievement during the season was the Big Blue Gum Lunch, honouring all ND players who fought in past wars and recognising all 1<sup>st</sup> grade players in chronological order since the club began. It was a true "Remembrance Day" for the Club.

I say it every year ... "We hope that every local junior who aspires to play grade cricket does so at their local grade club. We do not promise the world to young players, but we can promise 4 things ...

1. The best coaching structure in the SCA. 2. Great facilities. 3. A fair selection policy (ie. rewards for performances). 4. That you will have a good time! Your playing days at NDs will be good fun mixed with hard work. As Mark Taylor says, "if you are not having fun, then it becomes a chore and that only ends one way!"

NDs has a very strong and rich history. We are extremely active in programs that benefit players, members and the community, for example:

- · The joint school holiday Coaching Clinics
- Leadership Program
- Junior Development Winter Program
- ND Schools Cup
- Our relationship with Special Olympics
- Our support of the Trish Langsford Foundation and "Kids with Cancer"

Let's do it all again together!

**Mike Langford** (Drifter) President, NDCC







#### DHRUVA THORAT - HIS JOURNEY FROM GHC TO RTC AND BEYOND

Bruce Wood "Dhruva is a great example of cricket dedication, hard work, respect and achievement"

As a young cricket player going through the age groups over the years, there have been major influences on my development as a player that have had a very positive impact on my career to date. These influences consist largely of the people and coaches I have met through my time playing cricket, and from each of them I have learnt something new and gained new experiences. One of the major influences has been Bruce Wood from the Coaches' Association, who has given me countless opportunities and experiences to help me improve my game. I was first introduced to the Coaches' Association when they selected me for the Glenn Hourigan T20 matches in

the 2012/13 season. While I was in the younger age group and didn't make it into the following 50 over match, I was amazed by the quality of coaches that they had selected. When I found out that the coaches that had coached us for those matches were U/16 Watson Shield players, I was excited by the possibility of hopefully playing the Glenn Hourigan Cup in the next season, the Ross Turner Cup (the competition for the u14s and 15s), and maybe even coaching the Glenn Hourigan Cup when I made it to the U/16s!

The following season, I was invited to captain one of the GHC T20 teams, which was exciting for me as I had become one of the senior players and would get to play in the main 50 over match. The T20s were great fun and I was honoured to be selected as one of the captains for the main 50 over GHC match that followed. I was determined to repay the faith that the Coaches' Association had showed in me. My team lost the match, but I left the Glenn Hourigan Cup a better player for what I had just experienced. The fact that I managed to score a few runs (67) against very talented players left me with more confidence and belief in my ability to perform in future.

The following year, I attended the Coaches' Association's off-season Specialist batting and bowling clinics, and was amazed by the quality and knowledge of the coaches and the technology that the Coaches' Association provided (they brought a new bowling machine to outdoor nets, which I didn't even think was possible!) The coaches engaged us in several beneficial drills that included match awareness and technical refinement and most importantly, the chance to enjoy and have a great time playing cricket during the off-season!

In the 2014/15 season, I played my first Ross Turner Cup match. This was again a new experience for me as this was one of the first competitive matches that I played on turf. It is a great thing that the Ross Turner Cup match is played on turf, as it exposes the young players to playing in new conditions. My team won that RTC match quite comfortably and one of my best memories of my junior career was in that match, where I managed to bowl out one of the older opposition batsmen, which taught me that when it comes to turf, it's anybody's game.

Following the Ross Turner Cup match, I was approached by Bruce Wood about going on a tour to Sri Lanka the following year that was being organised by the Coaches' Association and Northern District Cricket Club. During this 2015 tour, I enjoyed exploring a new country and saw some amazing things, plus played cricket in different conditions against foreign teams, which was all new to me and my team-mates. The Sri Lanka tour remains one of the highlights of my life and it is all thanks to the Coaches' Association, who organised and managed it.

The next Ross Turner Cup match I played was in 2015/16, where I was lucky enough to be captain of my side. Due to rain, we were moved to Headen Park (astro turf pitch), but it was still a great day. My team managed to win, I scored a few runs, and it was a great opportunity to get some match practise before the season began.

I would like to thank Bruce Wood and Rod Hokin for all the opportunities they have extended to me over the years and for being fantastic coaches and mentors.

#### **Dhruva Thorat**



Dhruva's first match - Hornsby District CC - 2009



Dhruva's 151 v. Fairfield-Liverpool – 2015/16 (Record Weblin Shield aggregate – 380 runs @ 76)





GHC Captain - 2013/14

Back Row:

Front Row:

RTC winning Captain - 2015/16



Dhruva's NSW State U/15 selection - 2015/16

Jack Cooper, Steve Taylor (Tour Manager), Liam Marshall.

**New South Wales - Green** 

James Allsopp (Coach), Sam Fanning, Harry Manenti, Jacob Workman, Lachlan Hearne, Michael Wood (Manager). Tyson Lee, Lawson Eva, Max Harper, Ollie Davies (Captain), William Fort, Dhruva Thorat, Bradley Simpson.



# COACHES' ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY LEVEL 1 ACCREDITED COACHING COURSE



The Coaches' Association (HKHDCCA) held its annual Cricket Australia Community (Level 1) accredited coaching course at the Sportsbliss Active Indoor Centre, 17 Sefton Road, Thornleigh, on Sunday, 18 September 2016. Thanks to **Rod Hokin** (HKHDCCA Head Coach) for facilitating this course on behalf of Cricket NSW.

HKHDCCA actively promotes the objective that all club and representative coaches attain the Level 1 accreditation as a minimum qualification (Level 2 preferably for Rep. Shield coaches), as this will increase the knowledge and confidence of new coaches, which will enhance the standard of coaching for junior players in the Association.

Congratulations to the following **34** people (pictured below with Rod Hokin) who successfully completed the course:

Andrew Harvey, Andrew Hodge, Badde Jayakody, Beau McClintock, Ben Duce, Chris Thomas, Cooper Goddard, Dale Sparks, Dave Rapa, David Abeni, Gavin Hunter, Glen Fernandes, James Brown, Jamie Shaw, Ryan Tullia, Jason Marden, Jeremy Mortier, Marc Brown, Oliver Williams, Oscar Merven, Paul McLaren, Mackenzie Carrall, Paul Newrick, Quentin Cheng, William Cole, William Giacometti, Zak Hickey, Siva Vishnu, Kieran Jayasekera, Peter Cleary, Matt Wright, Jason Boyd, Mark de Carvalho, Ramsay Gomssi









#### Official website

(for information, registrations, online component, etc.)

http://coaches.cricket.com.au/

#### INDUCTION OF COACHES' ASSOCIATION'S THIRD LIFE MEMBER - BRUCE G. WOOD

One of the highlights of the Coaches' Association's 8<sup>th</sup> AGM on 16 May 2017 was the induction of **Bruce Wood** as our third Life Member, following Tom Richmond OAM (2014) and Rod Hokin (2015).

**Rod Hokin**, Head Coach, Coaches' Association, was the nominator for this award and advised that Bruce has been coaching cricket in the district for two decades, having coached 25 club, representative, touring or school teams since 1997. Bruce is also a Life Member of three other cricket bodies – Normanhurst-Warrawee CC (2007), Barker CC (2010) and HK&HDCA (2013), which illustrates his long-term commitment to cricket and his outstanding achievements in the local cricket community.



Rod further advised that Bruce established and became the inaugural President of the Coaches' Association in 2010 and has been the driving force behind its growth and success over the past 7 years. He has been instrumental in actively recruiting, developing and mentoring many young cricket coaches in the district and heads up what is now arguably the leading *not-for-profit* junior cricket coaching association in NSW, if not Australia.

The **Hon Matt Kean MP**, NSW Minister for Innovation & Better Regulation (and Patron – Coaches' Association) attended the AGM and strongly endorsed the nomination. Matt advised that he first met Bruce when he umpired a senior finals match in which Matt was playing at Warrina St. oval around 2002, and they have been friends ever since, constantly crossing paths in our various roles. Bruce has contributed to cricket in every way possible, as a player, coach, umpire and administrator. He is a terrific role model who has enhanced the lives of so many people. He has developed and inspired a countless number of young coaches and junior players during the past 20 years. Congratulations Bruce – it is an honour to be present at your induction as a Life Member of HKHDCCA tonight.

Mark Rushton – Founder, Blowfly Cricket; Life Member HK&HDCA (and Patron – Coaches' Association) advised that he first met Bruce in 1997 and has enjoyed working with him over many shared interests in cricket for the past 20 years. Mark arranged a meeting with Bruce in 2010 to discuss the idea of setting up a new Coaches' Association, which hadn't been done before. Bruce was the perfect man for the job of President, with his great passion for coaching and his ability to inspire others to share a vision and turn it into a reality. The expansion and success of the Coaches' Association in such a short time span is a credit to Bruce's leadership skills and hard work. Bruce has also taken a lead role in the Coaches' Association's massive impact on Blowfly Cricket.

Tom Richmond OAM – Life Member of HK&HDCA, Coaches' Association & NDCC (HKHDCCA Patron), advised that Bruce has earned great respect as a cricket coach and administrator. He has been a highly significant figure in the development of the sport of cricket in our district. Bruce's organisation of overseas tours has been another innovation worthy of the highest praise. These tours have given players experiences that have been of great value in their development, both as cricketers and as people. Tom is most appreciative of the way Bruce has picked up the Ross Turner and Glenn Hourigan Cup matches and developed them along improved lines.

Ross Turner, Patron of HK&HDCA and Coaches' Association; Life Member – Northern District CC, advised that Bruce Wood is a masterful organiser and excellent communicator with a passion for cricket, who has led the Coaches' Association with aplomb during his tenure as President. Bruce's leadership through the Association has and will provide enormous legacy for cricket and cricketers at all levels of the game. It is also great to see the Coaches' Association's overseas tours bringing players along the pathway. Congratulations Bruce.

Alf. James OAM – Life Member HK&HDCA and NSWDCA (President of HK&HDCA 1980 – 2002), heartily congratulated Bruce on being made a Life Member of the Coaches' Association. He said this recognition was very much deserved



and, in fact, long overdue. Alf advised that HK&HDCA's contribution towards Bruce's attendance at a Level 2 accredited coaching course in 2001 has turned out to be the best \$200 ever spent by the Association. Bruce's efforts in the areas of coaching and administration have been prodigious and highly effective. Alf further commended Bruce on his organisation of U/15 overseas cricket tours, commencing with the tour to India in 2006, followed by New Zealand (2007), Sri Lanka (2015) and West Indies (2017).

Refer to a more detailed report of Bruce Wood's induction as a Life Member – bit.ly/BGW-LM-2017



# BRUCE WOOD CUP

HKHDCCA

COACH OF YEAR

AWARD





**Bruce Wood** 



2011-12 Mark Holden Weblin Shield (Premiers)



2012-13 Todd Williams U/14 Reps. and Mt Colah CC



2013-14

Josh Miller

Watson Shield & HKHDCCA



2014-15
Mark Harvey
Pennant Hills District CC



2015-16 Shishu Sharma HK&HDCA Moore Shield



#### HKHDCCA COACH OF YEAR AWARD

The Coaches' Association's *Coach of Year* Award (**Bruce Wood Cup**) continues to recognise excellence in cricket coaching within HK&HDCA and surrounding districts. Online nominations were invited for representative and/or club coaching, plus HKHDCCA junior cricket clinics, in 2016-17.

The HKHDCCA Executive Committee determined that the winner this year was **Rod Hokin**, Head Coach, Coaches' Association; Head Coach, Northern District CC AW Green Shield team (Minor Premiers); and Head Coach, The Kings School, North Parramatta, 1<sup>st</sup> XI team (GPS champions in 2016-17). Rod was presented with this prestigious perpetual trophy, a commemorative medal and certificate at the

Coaches' Association's AGM on 16 May 2017. We are delighted that Rod has been accepted into the Cricket Australia High Performance (Level 3) coaching course in 2017. See photos of Rod coaching (below).

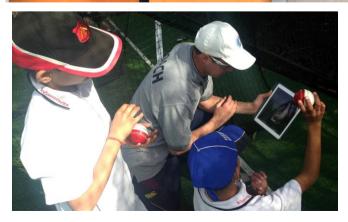
The previous winners are: Mark Holden (2011-12), Todd Williams (2012-13), Josh Miller (2013-14), Mark Harvey (2014-15), Shishu Sharma (2015-16) – see historical list and photos of winners on the previous page and also at this link: bit.ly/HKHDCCA\_Coach-of-Year







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# COACHES' ASSOCIATION proudly supports BLOWFLY CRICKET

The Coaches' Association (HKHDCCA) supports the endeavours of Blowfly Cricket and commends the work of the volunteers and officials who facilitate these programs.



It has been wonderful to observe the continued expansion of Blowfly Cricket, which was founded in 2009-10 by HK&HDCA Life Member and Patron of HKHDCCA, **Mark Rushton**, who had a vision that all children with special needs deserve the opportunity to enjoy cricket and healthy outdoors activities. The children's special needs include autism, Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, Asperger's, verbal & hearing deficits, and the coaching techniques need to be modified to best suit the abilities of each child, which is a valuable learning tool for our young accredited coaches. They play cricket on Saturday afternoons at James Park, Hornsby during Terms 4 & 1 (cricket season).

The Coaches' Association was pleased to hold another free coaching clinic for the Blowfly cricketers this season, led by coaches **Bruce Wood**, **Daniel Wood** & **Andrew Harvey**. The enthusiasm of the children was great to see, as was their improvement in batting, bowling and catching skills since our last coaching session in 2016.

One of the highlights for Blowfly Cricket this season took place early on 30 November 2016 when the Australian Test Captain, **Steve Smith**, came to James Park, Hornsby for a TV launch of the Commonwealth Bank's sponsorship program for grassroots cricket clubs live on Channel 9. **Tim Inman** from the Commonwealth Bank arranged for a \$2,000 sponsorship cheque to be presented to Blowfly Cricket and Steve Smith spent some time with the Blowies playing cricket. **Bruce Wood** was on hand to represent the Coaches' Association on the day.





Steve Smith and Bruce Wood





Mark Rushton and Bruce Wood with a \$500 sponsorship cheque from Blowfly Cricket to HKHDCCA.

#### FREE COACHING CLINICS FOR BEGINNERS AT DUNDAS AND NORMANHURST

The Coaches' Association held two free coaching clinics for new cricketers (U/8 or older), including players graduating from their club's In2Cricket / Kanga / Milo programs to play U/8 or U/9 club cricket in 2016/17. The first clinic was held at Curtis Oval, Dundas Park on Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> August 2016 from 9.30am – 12.00pm, with registrations from the Northern District CA and Parramatta District CA. The second free beginners' coaching clinic took place at Normanhurst Oval on Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> August 2016 with registrations from a variety of local HK&HDCA member cricket clubs, as well as first time players not yet registered with any club.

There was no charge to attend these cricket clinics as the Coaches' Association fully sponsored the 2 ½ hour coaching sessions to help the youngsters get ready for the 2016-17 cricket season. The players who attended these sessions benefited from structured coaching in small groups to learn the fundamentals of the game and some basic batting, bowling and fielding techniques, all undertaken in a positive and enjoyable environment. We are pleased that these coaching sessions enhanced the skills and confidence of many young players.



Rod Hokin with Audrey Kirk



Coaches - Andrew Harvey, Hame Fullagar & James Madden



#### GIRLS CRICKET SUPER 8 SCHOOLS COMPETITION - TERM 4, 2016

The Coaches' Association was pleased to provide qualified coaches to support the Girls Super 8 cricket competition, which took place on Wednesday afternoons in Term 4, 2016 at Montview Oval, Hornsby Heights. The driving force behind this program was **Tim Inman**, President, Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Girls Cricket Division Inc. and Manager of the Hornsby Branch of the Commonwealth Bank, who provided valuable sponsorship for the girls.

Six local primary schools participated in this Girls Super 8 cricket program – Hornsby Heights, Hornsby South, Asquith, Waitara, Mt Colah & Northholm Grammar, and they were all keen to learn how to play cricket with their friends. The final



day of this successful program was held on 7 December 2016 and the combined Mt Colah / Hornsby South team were the winners and received a new shield sponsored by the CBA.

The Coaches' Association supplied five regular coaches (**Nick Miller, Daniel Wood, Hame Fullagar, Matt Wright** & **Braden Cheng**) to look after the Girls teams, with co-ordination from **Tim Inman** and **Bruce Wood**. All the girls significantly improved their skills with the coaching they received and during the Super 8 matches. The feedback from this program was again very positive from the girls, parents and schools, so plans are already underway to invite more schools to participate next year.









#### SUPER 8 BLAST JUNIOR CRICKET PROGRAM AT BEECROFT - TERM 1, 2017

The Coaches' Association continues to expand its boundaries and provide coaching services for neighbouring Cricket Associations, as requested. For the second year running, HKHDCCA provided coaches for the Super 8 Blast cricket program on Friday evenings (5.30pm – 7.15pm) at Booth Park, Beecroft, in Term 1 (17 February – 31 March 2017). Thanks to **Adam & Cassandra Kirk** for arranging the registrations, which resulted in 30 – 35 boys and girls aged 7 – 11 attending each week. **Bruce Wood** co-ordinated the coaching at this Super 8 program and the other regular coaches were **Sam Fanning** and **Henry Kirk**. The feedback from the players and their parents was excellent and this successful program will no doubt continue in 2018.







#### **S**PONSORS



# Home of the Eels

The Coaches' Association was delighted to receive corporate sponsorship from **Parramatta Leagues Club** again in 2016-17 and thanks **Bevan Paul**, Chief Executive Officer, for the club's generous support of our youth development programs in north-western Sydney. In support of this continued sponsorship, the HKHDCCA coaches' polo shirts feature the club's logo; the committee and several coaches have signed up for 10 years membership of the club; we promote the club on our Facebook page, on our official letterhead and in our Annual Report; we promote the club on its various social media outlets; we hold committee meetings, dinners and social functions at Parramatta Leagues Club and the Vikings Sports Club at Dundas Valley (owned by Parramatta LC); and the club's logo features on the right sleeve of the polo shirts for our West Indies U/15 tour in mid-2017.

The Coaches' Association has also taken positive steps to expand its territory to the Parramatta and surrounding districts. HKHDCCA held a cricket beginners' clinic at Curtis Oval, Dundas Park (opposite the Vikings Sports Club) on Sunday, 7 August 2016, and a school holiday junior cricket coaching clinic at the same venue at Dundas on 16-17 January 2017. The President and Head Coach of the Coaches' Association both work at Parramatta and are using their extensive network of contacts to further expand our services in the Parramatta district in 2017.



Many thanks to **Noel Moig** from Kookaburra Sport for generously donating the cricket gear (pictured right) to the Coaches' Association in 2016 to support the volunteers who administer our expanding, *not-for-profit* organisation. Noel advised that as the coaching programs HKHDCCA runs are so well organised and professional, he's happy to help us out.

Cameron Eve (Kookaburra Sport) also supplied the match balls and Player of the Match awards for the RTC and GHC.



## HKHDCCA – record of individual coaching days since inception in 2010

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#### Regular coaches in 2016-17 (11 current or former First Grade players)

**Level 2 accredited coaches** – Daniel Anderson, Chris Burnett, Braden Cheng, Will Fiedler, Rod Hokin, Sammy McMahon, Nathan Middleton, Josh Miller, Nicky Miller, Bruce Wood (10).

**Level 1 accredited coaches** – John Anderson, Nic Badings, Jeremy Bond, Calvin Breytenbach, James Brown, Mackenzie Carrall, Aaron Crofts, Dan Donaldson, Sam Fanning, Tom Felton, Hame Fullagar, Mitch Fullagar, Andrew Harvey, Baxter Holt, Henry Hunt, Henry Kirk, James Madden, Jamie Matson, Nick McNay, Harry Middlebrook, Jamie Shaw, Utkarsh Somaiya, Dan Stickland, Ryan Tullia, Daniel Wood, Matt Wright (**26**).

#### Historical list of coaches and committee members since 2010-11

Life Members - Tom Richmond OAM (2014); Rod Hokin (2015); Bruce Wood (2017)

Level 3 accredited coaches - Ross Turner, Russel Arnold

**Level 2 accredited coaches** – Daniel Anderson, Shankar Arunachalam, David Bennett, Mike Burgin, Chris Burnett, Braden Cheng, Sujith Dissanayake, Justin Epthorp, Will Fiedler, Rod Hokin, Sid Marzouk, Sammy McMahon, Nathan Middleton, Josh Miller, Nicky Miller, Luke Quinlivan, Mark Rushton, Shishu Sharma, Rebecca Silk, Jonny Webb, Todd Williams & Bruce Wood (**22**).

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Ross Turner Cup (RTC) coaches (since 2010-11) — Daniel Anderson, Mike Burgin, Braden Cheng, Sujith Dissanayake, Justin Epthorp, Will Fiedler, Hame Fullagar, Mitch Fullagar, Mark Holden, Nick McNay, Josh Miller, Nick Miller (12).

Glenn Hourigan Cup (GHC) coaches (since 2010-11) — Lachlan Anchique, Daniel Anderson, John Anderson, Sanjay Balakumar, Riley Behlevanas, Calvin Breytenbach, Aaron Crofts, Alex Dolly, Jack Donkin, Andrew Harvey, Daniel Heidegger, Will Johnston, Rahul Krishna, James Madden, Nick McNay, Matt McVay, Josh Miller, Nick Miller, Shivraj Rana, Rashad Rizme, Danusha Seneviratne, Jamie Shaw, Mansimar Singh, Utkarsh Somaiya, Nathan Tanner, Dhruva Thorat, Luke Thorburn, Ryan Tullia, Matt Vile, Fraser Wilson, Matt Wright (31)

**HKHDCCA** *Coach of Year* **Award** (Bruce Wood Cup) — Mark Holden (2011-12); Todd Williams (2012-13); Josh Miller (2013-14); Mark Harvey (2014-15); Shishu Sharma (2015-16); Rod Hokin (2016-17). (6)

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