

Hamilton Old Boys Cricket Club Incorporated.

Presidents Report - 2002/2003 Season.

This season will not be remembered for it's on field successes. However, there were signs through all grades that the players were determined to succeed and we must hope for improved results this coming season.

The premiers played well in the limited overs competition but were beaten in the quarter finals by Eastern Suburbs who went on to win the District competition.

Unfortunately they were never in the hunt in the two day competition and finished poorly.

Like wise, the reserve grade were unlucky in the limited overs competition but floundered in the lower middle part of the two day competition.

Lack of attendance at practices by the members of this grade no doubt played it's part in their poor performance.

The senior B side started poorly but soon realised their potential and completed their season on a high note. Excellent team spirit has played an important role in this teams development. We expect some great results this coming season.

This season Old Boys fielded a fourth team which was entered in the Presidents grade. The team led the competition for most of the season and were unlucky to miss out on playing in the final.

Our junior teams were increased from four to five and with the excellent coaching provided by the club coaches all performed well. The coaching assistance was also provided to the junior teams at HBHS. Thanks to Shane Wilcock, Sandeep Puna, Lindsay Weight and Greg Steele.

Congratulations to Greg Steele and Daniel Boughtwood Hamilton Under 19's, Sandeep Puna, John Ahlers, Ainslee Robson and Shannon Mackey Hamilton B, Greg Steele, Guy Hodgson and Ainslee Robson Hamilton A and Janice Fraser Hamilton womens.

Congratulations also to David Perenise, recipient Senior B cup, Derek Miller for the senior reserve trophy, Russell Foster for the Premier trophy, John Ahlers for the most outstanding club contribution, Rupert Hodgson best club man, Brendon Stern most outstanding club fielder, Steve Bennett most valuable club player, Russell Foster most club wickets and Shane Wilcock for most club runs.

I would like to thank all the committee members for their outstanding contribution this season. Apart from the general duties required to make the club function, the committee have achieved some memorable milestones.

- (1) Our club is now an Incorporated Society.
- (2) We have a strategic plan in place for adoption at the AGM.
- (3) Our club rooms are nearing completion.
- (4) We are currently obtaining funds to upgrade our practice nets.
- (5) Applied for funds to upgrade junior and senior clothing and playing gear.

I would also like to thank those who have supported the club this season.

Scottwood Group.

Southern Trust.

Ricoh.

Canterbury Clothing.

On a final note I would like to remind all members of our very good relationship with HBHS, by continuing to work together I am sure you will all agree that there are immense benefits for all cricket players.

We will continue to develop our club in the interests of the players and ask for your continued assistance and support.

Best of luck for the coming season.

President  _____

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