



NORTHERN DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

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ND "Rangers" ... or sometimes referred to as the ND "Trees". All year round, they look outstanding!

WINTER NEWS

NSW BREAKERS SQUAD FOR 2023-24



Stella Campbell



Lauren Smith

Congratulations to **Stella Campbell** selected in the NSW Breakers 15-player squad for the 2023/24 Women's National Cricket League (WNCL) season. International bowler, **Stella** committed to NSW for two more seasons.

Veteran NDs all-rounder **Lauren Smith** was not retained. Cricket NSW officials recognised the efforts of **Lauren** over several seasons and look forward to seeing **Lauren** as part of their WBBL program with the Sydney Thunder.

BLUES SQUAD CONFIRMED FOR 2023-24



A veteran Test player, a global T20 star, a pair of Premier Cricket stalwarts and a prodigious teenage all-rounder headline the new talent in a 25-player NSW Blues squad for the 2023/24 summer.

The squad, that will be under the tutelage of newly appointed master coach Greg Shipperd, is made up of 20-full contract players and five players on a rookie contract.

A further eight NSW players - Sean Abbott, Pat Cummins, Josh Hazlewood, **Nathan Lyon**, Steve Smith, Mitchell Starc, David Warner and Adam Zampa - earned Cricket Australia contracts for 2023/24 and form part of the broader Blues group.



Leading the list of newcomers to the Blues' list is seamer Jackson Bird. The 36-year-old returns to the state he grew up in after more than a decade in Tasmania and will be looking to continue his rise up the list of all time Sheffield Shield wicket-takers from his current position of ten with 350 scalps.

Bird is joined as a new addition to the list by Sydney Thunder star **Chris Green**, who made his First-Class debut last summer as an uncontracted player and went on to become NSW's Sheffield Shield Player of the Year.

Blake Macdonald (St George CC), who forced his way into the Blues line up for the final Shield game of the season with irresistible 2nd XI form, has earned his first contract.

Ross Pawson has also earned his first NSW deal after several strong seasons at Premier and 2nd XI level. In 2022-23 Pawson took 60 wickets at 15.97 for Northern District.

Last summer's Australian under 19 captain, Manly Warringah's Joel Davies, has earned a two-year rookie contract, joining four rookies that were already contracted – Jack Nisbet, Will Salzman, **Lachlan Shaw** and Hunar Verma.

CNSW Chief of Cricket Performance Greg Mail said the changes to the squad recognised established and sustained success, consistent performance in Premier and Second XI cricket and rising talent.

"With the additions of Jackson (Bird) and **Chris (Green)** we get some experience from guys with well documented credentials," Mail said.

"Both Blake (Macdonald) and **Ross (Pawson)** have deserved their contracts through sheer weight of runs and wickets at Premier Cricket and Second XI level. Their contracts show that when players consistently perform at that level, we will look at those performances positively.

NSW Blues 2023/24

Sean Abbott *	Parramatta	31	RA fast / RH bat
Jackson Bird	Manly Warringah	36	RA fast-medium / RH bat
Pat Cummins *	Penrith	29	RA fast / RH bat
Joel Davies ®	Manly Warringah	19	LH bat / LA orthodox
Oliver Davies	Manly Warringah	22	RH bat / RA off spin
Ben Dwarshuis	Sutherland	28	LA fast / LH bat
Jack Edwards	Manly Warringah	23	RA fast-medium / RH bat
Matt Gilkes	UNSW	23	LH bat / wicketkeeper
Chris Green	Northern District	29	RA off spin / RH bat
Ryan Hackney	Parramatta	23	LH bat
Ryan Hadley	Manly Warringah	24	RA fast
Liam Hatcher	Fairfield-Liverpool	26	RA fast
Josh Hazlewood *	St George	32	RA fast
Moises Henriques	St George	36	RH bat / RA medium
Baxter Holt	Eastern Suburbs	23	RH bat / wicketkeeper
Daniel Hughes	Mosman	34	LH bat
Hayden Kerr	Sydney University	26	RH bat / LA fast-medium
Nathan Lyon *	Northern District	35	RA off spin / RH bat
Blake Macdonald	St George	25	RH bat
Blake Nikitaras	St George	23	LH bat
Jack Nisbet ®	Mosman	20	RA fast-medium

Kurtis Patterson	St George	30	LH bat
Ross Pawson	Northern District	28	RA fast
Will Salzmann ®	Campbelltown-Camden	19	RA fast-medium / RH bat
Jason Sangha	Randwick Petersham	23	RH bat / RA leg spin
Tanveer Sangha	Campbelltown-Camden	21	RH bat / RA leg spin
Lachlan Shaw ®	Northern District	20	RH bat / wicketkeeper
Steve Smith *	Sutherland	33	RH bat / RA leg spin
Mitchell Starc *	Manly Warringah	33	LA fast / LH bat
Chris Tremain	UNSW	31	RA fast / RH bat
Hunar Verma ®	Penrith	21	RA fast
David Warner *	Randwick Petersham	36	LH bat
Adam Zampa *	Club TBC	31	RA leg spin

* Cricket Australia contract

LONDON DINNER – Friday 30th June



**How does a “Lords” dinner in London sound? ...
Hosted by President Hooky and Patron Mark Taylor**

It would be great to see all members of the Club who either live in the UK, are playing this winter in the UK or travelling there for the Ashes, get along to what will be a very memorable night!!

Date: Friday 30th June - following day 3 of the Lords Test. Venue is in north London.

If interested, please email Jerry: ndcc.jh@bigpond.com or call 0412497697

In 27 Days

Friday, June 30, 2023

England vs Australia - 2nd Ashes Test Day 3

📍 Lord's, London, United Kingdom

NDCC AGM – Thurs 27th July 2023

NDCC AGM

Dear NDs Players (Past and Present), Supporters and Friends:

You are hereby cordially invited to attend the 98th Annual General Meeting of the Northern District Cricket Club Inc., to be held in the Acacia Room at Hornsby RSL, (4 High St) on Thursday, 27th July 2023 commencing 6.30pm.

Highlight: New Life Member announced! ... Come and celebrate at the Hornsby RSL 27th July.

ND Golf Day - Blue Gum & Willow Cup

To all Alumni and Friends of NDs ... **SAVE THE DATE!**

Friday 8th September 2023, Asquith Golf Club

CLUB CAPTAINS (MENS) CONFIRMED FOR 2023-24



It's been a few years since we had a Club Captain.

The right candidate(s) can really help the operation of the playing group and help us as Committee/Coaches/Captains working together to help the players.

Given our emergence from Covid and the current state of the men's playing group, there is a valuable job that could be done this season.

Mitchell Crayn and Warren Saldanha will do the role jointly, and they are both keen. They are very popular lads and regarded as leaders and will complement each other especially as they played at either end of the grade spectrum. The two are mates and sharing the role will help manage the load.

Congratulations to **Mitch Crayn and Wazza Saldanha as Club Captains (Mens) for 2023/24.**



HKHDCCA AGM 24th MAY 2023



NDCC has enjoyed a fantastic working relationship with the Coaches Association for almost 14 years. President and Founder of HKHDCCA, Bruce Wood, has done an incredible job in developing the association into what it is today. Thousands of local juniors have benefitted from the coaching clinics, accreditation courses and overseas trips that are on offer. Long may it last! Below outlines what a busy year it has been.

The Coaches' Association (HKHDCCA) held its 14th Annual General Meeting on 24 May 2023.

Bruce Wood outlined the highlights of the 2022-23 cricket season, which included receiving a total of 489 registrations to attend the 7 school holiday junior cricket clinics (average 70 boys and girls per clinic). The Coaches' Association was pleased to be able to hire the new MTO Indoor Centre at reduced rates, providing a wonderful additional facility for the boys and girls aged between 5 and 14, ranging from beginners to representative standard players. The Coach / Players ratio across all the school holiday clinics in 2022-23 was an impressive 1 / 6.35.

The Coaches' Association co-ordinated the 25th annual HK&HDCA U/15 Ross Turner Cup match and the 20th anniversary U/13 Glenn Hourigan Cup fixture, which took place on 12 February 2023 at Turramurra. Sadly, Glenn Hourigan (HK&HDCA Life Member) passed away on 3 May 2023, aged 79. The RTC teams were very well coached by **Nick Hook and Ryan Swain** from NDCC.

The Coaches' Association / Northern District CC U/15 team enjoyed its tour to India from 7 – 23 April 2023, playing 9 matches in Bangalore, Pondicherry, Chennai and Goa. The 28-person touring party had an amazing experience, both on and off the cricket field. The 14 players were led by **Josh Miller (Head Coach), Dan Friedrich (Coach)** and Bruce Wood (Manager). Refer to Tour Report – bit.ly/HKHDCCA-overseas-tours-Reports

Josh Miller facilitated two Community (Level 1) accredited coaching courses on behalf of Cricket NSW, with a total of 31 participants. The venues were Barker College and MTO, Waitara.

The major HKHDCCA award winners for 2022-23 were announced at the AGM:



Elysa Oliveri & Aliya Colburt



Ryan Swain

- Coach of the Year award (Bruce Wood Cup) – Harrison Norrell
- President's Award – **Ryan Swain**
- Rookie Coach Award – **Elysa Oliveri (far left)** and **Aliya Colburt** (joint winners)

The Coaches' Association also inducted Daniel Wood as its eighth Life Member after 12 years (116 days) of quality coaching, plus 5 years on the Executive Committee, and over a decade as a volunteer 'Gear Steward'.

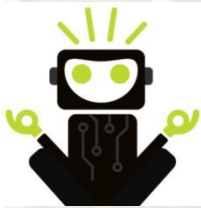
The following HKHDCCA committee members and Patrons were approved for the 2023-24 season.

- Executive Committee – Bruce Wood OAM (President); Braden Cheng (Vice-President); **Josh Miller (Secretary)**; Rod Hokin (Head Coach) and Dylan Bish (Treasurer).
- General Committee – **Ryan Swain**; Harrison Norrell, Connor Hindmarch, **Dani Chivers** and **Corey Miller**.
- Patrons – **Ross Turner**; Mark Rushton; Alf James OAM; Denise Anderson (Annetts) and Matt Kean MP (Member for Hornsby).

32 COACHES ENGAGED IN 2022-23 (Current or former ND players in bold)

- High Performance (Level 3) accredited coach – **Rod Hokin**.
- Representative (Level 2) accredited coaches (13) – **Chris Burnett, Braden Cheng**, Aaron Crofts, **Tom Felton, Dan Friedrich**, Connor Hindmarch, Tyler Lang, Lachie Lloyd, **Corey Miller, Josh Miller**, Nick Miller, Harrison Norrell, Bruce Wood.
- Community (Level 1) accredited coaches (18) – Dylan Bish, Ben Burrows, **Dani Chivers**, Aliya Colburt, Alex Fitzgerald, **George Furrer, Gian Gill**, William Hanks (*Blowfly*), **Nick Hook**, Will McCarroll, **Elysa Oliveri, Yash Patel, Ben Randall, Lachy Shaw, Aanya Siingh, Ryan Swain, Cam Tunks**, Daniel Wood.

POSITIONS VACANT!



Steve Jones has been master of the ND's website and on the club committee for as long as I can remember. It is with great sadness that we deliver the news that he has decided to "retire" from the position. Much more will be said about this man in the next issue of Blackmail!

As a result we are in need of an IT guru to fill the position. Some people say it's not rocket science ... but it is to me!

Expressions of Interest: Please contact Graham Gorrie: grglawyers@bigpond.com



Rangers Alumni

I feel a Cadbury coming on!

If we had tickets in NDCC ... I reckon Tubby would hold No.1.

Order of Australia, Australian of The Year, Life Memberships everywhere, Ovals & Indoor Centre, Distinguished commentator and aircon salesman.



And now ... he gets milk poured down his back!

I think the "glass and a half" started many years ago! ...



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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES & BARMITZVAHS

Love is in the air for Club legend Clayton Waters fiancée Bethany Fisher. All the best wishes from the Club for a long and happy one!



WARNING

Brendan & Nathan Lyon hosted what turned out to be an extremely long lunch recently. Club Secretary and SCA Chairman, Mr "Greyham" Gorrie, is seen here with a pair of rough skulls. If sighted, please approach with caution ...



Gozza

Skull

Drifter



NSW Youth Championship: 14-year-old Aanya Siingh shines

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New South Wales [Australia], May 6 (ANI): Young Indian-Australian all-rounder Aanya Siingh is already creating history in the world of cricket with her impressive performances on the pitch. At just 14 years old, Aanya has already achieved an impressive list of achievements and awards, making her a popular rising star in the cricketing world.

Aanya's recent performances have been particularly noteworthy, with standout performances including scoring 100 not out of 67 balls in the NSW Youth championship against Hornsby District and 127 not out of 157 balls in the NSW Premier cricket against Campbelltown. She also clinched 5 wickets for 7 runs in 3 overs against Normanhurst Warrawee in a club match.

In addition to her club performances, Aanya has made a name for herself in state-level cricket. She has been selected for the NSW U15 Metro Academy for the past two years and was recently picked for the NSW U16 Metro State Squad for the 2023-2024 season.

Aanya also captained the Northern District Premier Club U18 girl's Squad and was named in the Top-4 leading run-scorers and wicket-takers across NSW Premier Cricket for the U18 Brewers team. She was also named as the Inner West district Harbor Girls Representative team captain for the 2023-24 season.

Her impressive performances have not gone unnoticed, with Aanya receiving several awards and applause. She was named the Women Player of the Year for the Brewers in the 2022-23 season and was also awarded the Emerging Young Player of the Year for the Northern Districts Women Premium grade.

Additionally, she has also received Best Batter Awards for both the Inner West Harbour in NSW Youth Championship and Castle Hill Cricket Club, as well as the Best All-rounder Award for Castle Hill Cricket Club in the 2020-21 season. Off the field, Aanya is also committed to improving her skills and sharing her knowledge by coaching junior teams. She recently completed her accreditation for the New South Wales Level 1 Coach for Junior Cricket and has worked as an assistant coach for holiday clinics for junior cricketers. She has also been appointed as an assistant coach at MYC Cricket Academy in Pendle Hill. Aanya's dedication and hard work have already led to many accomplishments in her young career, and she is undoubtedly a talent to watch out for in the world of cricket. (ANI)

ATTEMPTED HUMOUR:

The only Ashes the Aussie's won't want back.



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**I PICK FRESH VEGETABLES
EVERY DAY.
I FEED THEM TO MY PIG AND HE
CONVERTS THEM INTO BACON.**

**APPARANTLY, THIS IS THE ROUTE OUR
PARENTS TOOK TO GO TO SCHOOL**

