

Northland Cricket Association

Annual Report

2011-2012



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Northland Cricket Association

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Chairman's Report

2011-12 Season

The 2011-12 season was without a doubt one of the most significant in the history of the Northland Cricket Association. After many years of investment in time, resources and effort, Northland successfully hosted the first fully international match at Cobham Oval. This was an extraordinary achievement which to a great extent is due to the inspiration initiative and hard work of Grant Wilson, Murray Child, Graeme Cowan, Gary Bell and the board members that supported their enterprise.

The Zimbabwe/New Zealand One Day International was a huge success, winning positive commentary from players, management, New Zealand Cricket and the media. Equally, the game had plentiful local support and provided Northland Cricket a great opportunity to showcase both cricket and the Association to local sponsors and supporters and to the general sporting public.

After that great success it was a pleasant surprise that New Zealand Cricket awarded Cobham Oval two warm up Twenty20 games between England and a New Zealand X1 in February 2013. These games and the Zimbabwe game have and will be excellent 'business' opportunities for Northland Cricket.

On the back of the financial success of the Zimbabwe game and a prudent fiscal policy, the 2011-12 financial year returned the Association to cash surplus and started the most important process of building a cash nest egg to protect us against the inevitable effects of depreciation. It is one thing to build great assets, it is another to pay for the upkeep. The Board has taken on the task of building our cash reserves and we have finished our 2011-12 financial year with net working capital of around \$197,000 and expect to build on this in the 2012-13 season.

The ongoing challenge for Northland Cricket is to build player strength and depth. Large sums of money have been invested in the pursuit of meeting this challenge. This year a review of coaching and development systems has resulted in some changes. The Board is very focused on delivering value for money from our coaching and development investment.

This has been a challenging year for the Board and Staff of the Association. I would like to express my gratitude for the efforts of Board members, staff and the many other volunteer workers who coached, managed, scored, umpired, supported cricket and put in countless hours to ensure the success of the Association. We are also extremely fortunate to have a large number of generous sponsors and supporters and we enjoy the ongoing financial assistance from a number of gaming trusts. Without question the Oxford Trust plays a major role in the support of ours and many other sporting bodies in Northland. We thank them for the significant and ongoing support.

We also enjoy a very fruitful relationship with Whangarei District Council and the Council again this season has been a great friend and patron of cricket. The continuing emergence of the Cobham Club as a supporters club and champion of youth cricket is most encouraging. Cobham Club is another special asset for Northland Cricket that few other District Associations enjoy. The same can be said for the Northland Cricket Trust.

Finally I would like to thank all those people who play the great game of cricket and congratulate them for the efforts they make to keep the game alive and strong in Northland. After all the game is what we are here for.

Greg Guy

CEO Report

Northland Cricket Association's 85th year will certainly go down as one of its most memorable with the inaugural One Day International game on Waitangi Day at Cobham Oval. To see the huge crowd file in and enjoy the Black Caps post their highest team score in New Zealand on an absolute belter of a pitch was indeed tremendously satisfying. So much hard work had gone into making this day a success and when match manager David Boon congratulated the Association on the pitch, venue and organisation nothing further had to be said; "job well done" to all concerned. There is every possibility of further international fixtures with pending tours of England 2013, West Indies and India in 2013/14, Pre Qualifying World Cup tournament in 2014 and the World Cup in 2015. Economic benefits are significant for the local region and provide a healthy financial return to Northland Cricket which is pumped back into grass roots cricket.

Important organisational changes for Cricket Operations were implemented as a result of the annual board review. The most significant was to use contractors to deliver coaching as opposed to employing coaches. This process was difficult and caused consternation amongst some stakeholders who struggled to comprehend how the plan would work. It meant we were able to attract the Parlane brothers (Michael and Neal) back to Northland as they retired from successful first class careers for other major cricket associations. It also provided the opportunity to retain the coaching expertise of the popular and experienced Karl Treiber as a contractor. As a result; Stephen Cunis as Cricket Operations Manager has the resources of another three passionate Northlanders who are highly qualified coaches and experienced first class cricketers to take charge of developing our players and teams. I am excited at the prospect and results of the 2012/13 season and beyond. I have absolutely no doubt the critics will be pleasantly surprised as Northland Cricket will be taken to the next level.

The Rodney Association held a reunion to celebrate 100 years of cricket in the region. Rodney has and continues to be an integral part of Northland cricket; having produced many fine players and teams since 1912. It is a tremendous effort to be in existence for such a long time and is a testament to the work of the many volunteers who have contributed thousands of hours in administration and work on the grounds. Kaipara Flats Cricket Club is continuing to fly the flag for Rodney and fittingly was the dominant team in the Northland Premier competition again this season.

The coaching and development programme expertly managed by Stephen Cunis delivered outstanding increases in participation levels with over 10,000 children exposed to cricket during the school coaching blitz. Continued partnerships with Sport Northland and Sport NZ allowed the introduction of more Milo centres and significantly increased the number of children involved in cricket. The Far North where Peter Barnett is doing a wonderful job and Dargaville continue to increase their numbers of teams in Saturday competitions. Children playing in "Kiwi Cricket" (modified versions of the game) increased from 389 last season children to 697 children (+67%). While Children registered in NZC Milo Cricket Programmes (Have A Go and Kiwi) have increased from 234 children to 413 children (+57%)

There has been significant investment to provide a further 12 artificial pitches over a three year period and this foresight will ensure that the increasing numbers of junior cricketers will have quality pitches to play on.

A huge thank you to Warren Parr for sponsoring the “Donovan Tradezone Umpires Association” Dean Potter again led this great group of umpires; Ross Kneebone, Graham Dennie, Kevin Salmon, Geoff Ogle, Andy Thompson and Ces Burke. These men put in a huge number of hours. Thank you for your time and commitment to the game; the players certainly appreciate your efforts.

Decent coaches and managers are a prerequisite to players enjoying their cricket and we are fortunate to have so many who volunteer their time. A special thanks to the parents involved at the representative level, it is encouraging to see so many supporting the teams through coaching, managing, scoring or simply being on the boundary line. Other notable contributors to our game are the evergreens Wok Jones and Chuck Norris. They are our regular liaison men for the Knights and Internationals teams playing at Cobham Oval.

Successful sporting organisations essentially require extensive support from the community. Northland Cricket Association is indeed fortunate to have an amazing band of sponsors, community groups and volunteers who make this a very robust and resilient sporting body. Whangarei City Council are major supporters and their contributions are often understated. However; Northland Cricket recognises that without WDC we could simply not function at our current level. Aubrey Gifford technical manager of Parks and Reserves is our WDC link and he has continued in this critical role again this season working with contractors; Recreational Services and NCA. There is positive relationship with the Recreational Services team and especially Ross Hart and Simon Harvey. They produced what was described by the NZC Turf Manager as the best ODI practice and game pitches in NZ this summer. Certainly a high accolade and a fine way for Simon to leave, he has decided to move back to his parent’s farm. Hopefully the new groundsman can produce the same quality of pitches.

We have so many businesses to thank. These sponsors have been involved with Northland Cricket for a long time, through a difficult financial period, and it is particularly gratifying that they have continued to support NCA. A comprehensive list of all supporters is listed in the book but I would particularly like to acknowledge a group of major contributors; Bellahomes, Spire Accountants, Mark Cromie Holden, Educare North, Refining NZ, HRV, Hill Construction, Team Tait Real Estate, Carters, Hirepool and Reyburn and Bryant.

Gaming Trusts are a major source of income for sporting organisations and NCA is no exception, their contribution is immense! In particular we thank the Oxford Sports Trust. The trust supports Northland Cricket to a level where we can operate a strong coaching programme and have the appropriate administrative support to run the organisation.

The Northland Cricket Trust and the Cobham Club were again both significant contributors to the association; special thanks to BJ Johnston and Peter Crawford for organising the twilight social competition, now into their fourth decade. What an effort!

We welcomed back Stephen Cunis and his family to Northland after a 15 year stint in Christchurch. Stephen has made a huge impact this season through his great commitment, passion and expertise. His continued involvement in leading the cricket operations is critical for the future growth of the game. Well done Cunie, your Dad would be proud of you!

Sean Roberts relocated to Napier during the season after four years with the association (mostly as a volunteer). Sean used his vast cricket knowledge to complete conditions of play, draws, ground and umpire allocation. I am very grateful to Sean who was extremely proficient and quite rightly well respected in the cricketing fraternity.

Two key staff members; Tracey Mackenzie and Judy Burch found other work opportunities during the period when we were going through organisational change. Tracey's contribution as the finance manager should not be understated as in a short time she further instigated sound financial management and contributed much beyond her expected responsibilities. Judy Burch was an integral part of Northland Cricket for six years. Every day Judy brought vast energy and passion into the organisation. Her volume of work generated and commitment was truly staggering and Northland cricket owes a huge debt to Judy who really wanted success for the organisation. Thank you "Mrs Cricket" for your dedication and loyal support.

Thank you to the Board members who have dedicated additional time this year around reviewing the organisation and making subsequent changes. It has been a full on year and one that has laid the foundation for a bright future for Northland Cricket.

Gary Bell
CEO



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DISTRICT COUNCIL

Cricket Operations Managers Report

Overall

The 2011/12 season was successful in terms of developing junior playing numbers, running meaningful and worthwhile junior and senior club competitions and Northland's representative teams had various levels of success throughout the season.

There was fantastic progress made in increasing playing numbers in Have a Go/ Junior Cricket competitions that were held on Monday's and Friday's throughout Northland. It was pleasing to see Kerikeri, Maungakaramea, Wellsford, Warkworth, Bream Bay and Whangarei facilitate these competitions.

Various club cricket competitions were played throughout Northland and they were worthwhile and well structured. Junior and senior players experienced cricket in a variety of formats, suiting a diverse level of skill and ability. Clubs demonstrated a good level of communication and commitment towards their teams and the NCA is extremely appreciative of their effort and hard work.

The Northland Representative teams, both at the junior and senior levels had varying levels of success. There was good development made by all and plans have been put in place for future development of representative players in all squads.

The highlight of the season was certainly the One Day International between New Zealand and Zimbabwe. Gary Bell was instrumental in the planning and preparation for the day and it was because of his meticulous attention to detail, that it was an extremely successful occasion. Judy Burch worked tirelessly to make sure many of the ICC regulations were met and the NCA Board, as well as the many volunteers who generously donated their time, were also heavily involved in the planning and running of what was a fantastic day.

Senior Representative

The Northland Men's A and B teams had a good year and some pleasing results were apparent. There was a tremendous amount of planning and preparation go into the organization of the Northland squad and various people played a part in the development of both individuals and the squad as a whole, throughout the season. Barry Cooper and Murray Child were again selectors and their commitment to the squad certainly aided in the team's success. The outright victory against Waikato Valley and hard fought first innings win against Counties-Manukau were the highlights for the season and Bradley Kneebone's maiden hundred against Bay of Plenty was the pick of the individual performances.

Junior Representative

The Northland Women's program was based on age group teams that Karl Treiber was influential in establishing. A Year 8 and 9 Girls squad, that played games against other District Associations in a tournament at the Kaipara Flats Cricket Club, was formed and

it was a successful way for the girls to take part in cricket. It was a good way to introduce the girls to more formal games of cricket and a lot of enjoyment was had by all concerned.

The Primary Boys squad developed as the year progressed and they had some worthwhile performances as individuals and as a team. There were some talented boys in this squad and winter coaching plans will be put in place to make sure that selected boys of this age get the required skill development to enhance their skills. Roger Kidd and Richard Pooley were responsible for the organization of this squad and they were second to none in terms of commitment and dedication towards Northland Cricket.

The Junior Secondary School team played some good cricket and once again, there is a core of talented players coming through. Some players certainly stood up throughout the season and it was pleasing to see various players contributing in matches. Roger Turner was the coach of this team and he was ably supported by Cody Andrews, Grant West and Dave Lobb. Their efforts are appreciated by the NCA.

The Senior Secondary Schools team had a very successful tournament in Gisborne but unfortunately lost the final. The team had some very skilful and capable players that contributed to the team's success. Ross Kneebone, Barry Herman and Russell Smith were influential in the side's success and their effort and pride in Northland was certainly beneficial for the boys in the team.

Personnel

Gary Bell has been supportive in all operational areas. His expertise and professionalism is not only invaluable to the NCA but also to both Northern Districts and New Zealand Cricket. Judy Burch and Tracey McKenzie were tremendously supportive and efficient in assisting with operational matters. Their proficiency and guidance have been greatly appreciated and their presence will be missed at the NCA offices.

Karl Treiber was second to none in terms of coaching experience and he was extremely obliging in assisting in the designing of effective and worthwhile coaching and playing programs. His knowledge and understanding of the association is excellent and he is a valuable asset to the NCA in many operational areas. Dean Potter was instrumental to the successful organization of the umpires and his dedication was valued by the Umpires Association and the NCA.

The NCA's coaching team; Steven Knox, Craig Coffey, Richard Atkins, Neal Parlane, Rory Darkins, Ben Hyde, Dean Williams, Pete Barnett and Cody Andrews were outstanding in their commitment and coaching expertise. They set high standards in terms of punctuality and organization and this was recognized by many of whom they coached.

The club and regional Junior Coordinators; Shelly Nissen, Lynley Turner, Adam Sylva, Richard Pooley, Kevin Forde, Bruce Paton, Nalinee Giri, Dale Wewege, Ros Guy and Roger Kidd did a fantastic job and their dedication has been very much appreciated by those at the NCA. A special mention to Russell Smith must be made as his commitment to WBHS junior cricket and to the NCA is quite simply second to none.

The Code of Conduct commission had a very quiet year but the NCA are still grateful for their presence as and when needed. Recognition of those that are members of the Cobham Club is important as their passion and expertise in numerous areas of cricket and its administration are welcomed by all at the NCA. Thank you to all of those members that worked with and for the NCA at various time throughout the season.

The NCA also acknowledges the services provided by the huge numbers of suppliers, volunteers, parents, officials and club administrators who provided match, administrative or simply parental support to the players in our association. Without you all, cricket would simply not function as effectively as it does.

Facilities and Venues

The hard work and extra effort shown by Ross Hart and the team at Recreational Services has been great. Ross has always been approachable and open to discussion in terms of practice and playing surfaces around Whangarei and this was respected by players and NCA staff alike.

John Stephen, from the Kaipara Flats Cricket Club, was also a tireless worker throughout the season and his accommodating attitude was fantastic for all visiting teams. Mike O'Sullivan did a great job on the Maungakaramea wicket and his effort and dedication to the club was certainly recognized by the club and the NCA. Also, a thank you must go out to ground staff in the Northern Wairoa, Bream Bay and Kerikeri clubs.

Conclusion

The 2011/12 season was a successful one and there is much to build on for the 2012/13 season. With Cobham Oval now recognized as an international venue, the Northland Men's teams becoming more successful, junior representative cricketers developing and club cricketers playing enjoying our game; it is hoped that the NCA grows stronger and those affiliated with the association grow with it. Bring on 2012/13!

Stephen Cunis
Operations Manager

Spire Pavilion Report

The Spire Pavilion has been well utilized over the last 12 months by a wide range of customers. The Long Room has many regular users for business meetings, small conferences, trade shows as well as birthdays, Xmas functions and other celebrations. We are working hard to increase the use of this fantastic facility and have regular enquiries coming from our new website listing. We have had very positive feedback from new and regular users. Praise must be extended to our resident caterer Lew Hart for the great job that he does. We regularly receive great comments on the wonderful food.

We were pleased to host the Vikings before a Northland Rugby game recently, and a special treat to have Sir John Kirwan at their luncheon.

We pride ourselves on being able to provide a personalized, tailored service to every customer that uses our facility and delivering first class service every time. A government department that held a function with us in August, as part of a series of presentations around the country, told us they we could show the Aucklanders a thing or two.

We continue to look for new opportunities to promote the facility and aim to continue to increase the bookings over the next 12 months.

As stakeholders and supporters of Northland cricket I would like to ask you to consider us for your next meeting, conference or function as we would love to host you. Increased utilization of the Spire Pavilion will directly increase revenue for the Association and is a great way for our supporters to support us. Spread the word.

And finally our thanks to Spire Chartered Accountants and Business Advisors for their continued sponsorship and support.

Emma Johns/Mandy Powley
Administration Team



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Mark Cromie Holden Indoor Stadium Report

Cricket training has dominated the use of the Indoor Arena over the last 12 months but we have also hosted a number of other users throughout the year. The facility is perfect for large trade shows, indoor sports, conferences and functions. We have a number of regular users and host NZ Blood each time they come to Whangarei for Blood collection. This has been confirmed as continuing in 2013. We also welcomed the SPCA for their fund-raising art auction and have an upcoming Persian rug sale.

The Indoor Centre boardroom is a great facility for small group meetings and has a number of regular users. The boardroom is well equipped including air-conditioning and courtesy of a recent flood has lovely new carpet.

We welcome your enquiries regarding hire of these facilities and look forward to increasing the Revenue from this facility with the help of our supporters.

Finally we are extremely grateful for the ongoing sponsorship from Mark and Sheryl Cromie and the team at Mark Cromie Holden.

Emma Johns/Mandy Powley
Administration Team



Northland Junior Cricket Inc. Report

The inauguration of this body last year was to formalise the management of junior representative cricket and to seek improvement in this vital area of this great game. It is clear that, although Northland has a great history, the huge changes in lifestyles and leisure activities are going to present a major challenge to this and future committees. Our role is primarily as the interface between the day to day administration of the NCA executive, staff and the player-parent group. One of our earliest and most important decisions was to seek and accept as many playing fixtures as we could identify.

The early part of our tenure saw reasonable playing results. The Senior Secondary boys were runners-up in the ND tournament and had two players selected in the wider NZ under 19 squad. Congratulations to Ben Hyde and Henry Cooper. Several of these boys also went on to represent Northland at senior level. Junior Secondary boys finished in the middle of the field in the ND tournament, and had notable successes against North Harbour and Western Districts and Manukau Districts after Xmas. Primary Boys had some early successes, also finishing in the middle of the field. Development teams were fielded in as many games as possible. Thanks to Ross Kneebone, Barry Herman, Roger Turner, Grant West, Roger Kidd, Richard Pooley for their management and coaching of these teams.

We hosted the NDC Junior Secondary Boys tournament in early December and after some challenging early weather, had a successful week. Our thanks to the NCA staff, particularly Karl Treiber, for their work on this. We also hosted a very successful two day tournament for girls (up to year 9) at Kaipara Flats with teams from Northland (2), Waikato Valley (2) Hamilton and Counties. All of our girls were playing their first cricket, against teams with some experience, and the highlight was a victory against eventual winners Counties. Our Senior Secondary Girls had two good games against Counties women's team, with their two Northern Spirit players proving the difference.

The middle of the season saw some major restructuring at NCA. This involved considerable robust debate and participation from all stakeholders. This was promulgated by the NCA senior Board as the overseers of the budgetary process for all of Northland Cricket. The main concern of NJCI members was to preserve and capture the best possible outcome for junior cricket. The result is that the coaching resources available to us are now at a superb level and must be the equal of any association in the country, relative to our size.

The quantity and quality of coaching which we are currently seeing in one-on-one, small groups and larger squads, will hopefully bring results. It is apparent that some boys have adopted the culture of excellence and determination to win, and some others have not. Our challenge is to bring greater numbers on board.

The initial accounts are difficult to compare without financial history on a comparative basis. Whether junior representative cricket is deemed to be a cost centre or a profit centre, can be influenced greatly by the receipt of grant monies from various sources. We have initiated a degree of cost recovery from players. Although the introduction of this was not popular with some, most parents recognise that the fee charged was pretty reasonable compared with many other sports.

My Thanks to Richard Pooley, Roger Kidd, Gary Bell, Russell Smith and Karl Treiber for their participation during this year.

Honours achieved :

NZ U 19 training squad - Ben Hyde, Henry Cooper

ND U18 - Keiran Nelson

ND U 18 Dev - Kurtley Watson, Ben Smith

ND U 16 - Sam Clotworthy, Sean Daniels

ND U 16 Dev - Max Trimble

ND PB training squad - Aaron Ranara, Lewis Miller

Dave Lobb
Chairman



Coaching at Cobham Oval

Cobham Club - Chairman's Report

In taking over the reins of the Cobham Cricket Club for the 2010/2011 season, in my view the biggest challenge facing the committee was trying to raise the profile of the Cobham Club from a point where it was on the verge of extinction.

Before going any further, this is an appropriate time for me to thank Robert Anderson on behalf of the Cobham Cricket Club for almost single handedly keeping the club going with very little assistance from others. I know from experience that there is a lot more to keeping this little club alive than meets the eye.

This year we started off with nine committee members. It seems that we will now lose Tim Anderson, John Fitzpatrick, and Garry Trigg due to other commitments, and to my knowledge no one has put their hand up to replace them.

In my view, the biggest challenge for the Cobham Cricket Club remains simply keeping the club alive. All of the committee will serve finite terms and it would be nice to think that others will eventually take their place. I remain concerned that the long term sustainability of the Club which is currently relying on a few good men. I do not have any solutions at this point, and for now we will continue to do our best with the keen committee members that remain committed to the cause.

The 2011/2012 committee felt that it was critically important to raise the profile of the Cobham Club. Accordingly, funds were spent getting the signs made for the entrance to the Spire Pavilion, and also the frosting on the glass. Further time was spent during the season preparing newsletters and providing email updates to members. A great deal of emphasis was playing regular games against school teams.

In my view, the school games are of paramount importance to raising the profile of the Cobham Cricket Club, because they provide an opportunity to reconnect with schools and youth cricket, and also to bring older ex-players back to the game. The committee felt that the money spent on reconnecting with the first X1, and the Northland cricket community in general, was money well spent. The Clubs core function is to support youth cricket in Northland. The reconnection with the Northland cricket community, including the first X1 is critical for the clubs survival.

Two key items from the 2011 AGM were for the committee to investigate whether there was merit in committing funds to the construction of a new pavilion for the City Cricket Club and also the Cobham Cricket Club, with the pavilion to act as a facility for Sky TV when matches were televised from Cobham Oval. The committee carried out its own review with a particular emphasis on determining whether it was sensible to commit Cobham funds to such a project. The general consensus was that the Cobham Cricket Club was not in a position to commit significant funds to a project of that nature, and that other alternatives should be explored in the existing Spire Pavilion, such that the City Cricket Club and Cobham Cricket Club would have a home in this building. As I understand it, the current Northland Board have made significant progress in this area.

The other item arising from the 2011 AGM was a general mandate to commit \$10,000 to the Whangarei Boys' High School for the upgrade of their nets, having first explored all other funding options. During the season, and particularly of late, we have remained in contact with Russell Smith, and at this point it seems Cobham will be called on to commit approximately \$5,000 towards the project, with work already underway to establish new nets.

Fund raising during the year was focused around the Zimbabwe ODI. The major fund raising event was the Cocktail Party held the night before the ODI, with further funds raised through a closest to the score competition run in the Cobham Cricket Club corporate area during the match. The other major contributor to the funds raised this year were subscriptions, which exceeded expectations with in excess of 100 paid up members.

Major expenses during the year included the cost of relocating the City Cricket Club from one side of the upstairs Spire Pavilion to the other as a precursor to the establishment of a library in the pavilion. Money was also spent on the signage at the entrance to the building, on field playing strip (although this was largely covered by a grant from the Oxford Trust), costs associated with the Cobham Cricket Club matches against the schools, and the scholarship awarded to Bradley Kneebone.

The school matches were weather affected and only two matches were played against schools, being Whangarei Boys High School and a Dargaville X1. A Marist X1 playing under the Cobham banner also played a Kamo High School side as the first game for the year.

In general, the matches were successful with several ex-players making the effort to represent Cobham to a reasonably high standard. However, there was a constant struggle to get a team for these matches, which is something that we will need to address better next season.

Generally speaking, the committee believes that the Cobham Cricket Club can operate on a budget of around \$6,000 (incoming) made up of funds received from subscriptions and other fund-raising endeavours. The outgoings are primarily those associated with the scholarship (if one is awarded), and the cost of hosting Cobham Cricket Club matches at the oval.

In terms of the goals for the coming season, obviously that will lie with the new committee elect. However, in my view the committee should continue to focus of the school games and the England T20 for fund-raising. It seems likely that some funds will be committed to the pavilion modification. The committee should also continue to work hard fostering their relationship with the Northland Cricket Trust for the mutual benefit of the Northland Cricket Association. Both the Trust and the Cobham Cricket Club have very similar underlying philosophies. There are obvious benefits of the two entities working together for the good of Northland cricket.

Brett Hood - Chairman, Cobham Cricket Club



Rob Nichol plays off the back foot in his innings of 146



Cobham Club members enjoy the game from their marquee



Local favourite Tim Southee interacting with his fans

Donovan Tradezone Umpires Report

As I write this, anticipation of the new 2012/13 cricket season is in the air, as is the smell of cut grass and that Kensington Park sou'wester.

It is also a time to reflect on the past season and the passing of Graham Cowan. Graham's contribution to cricket and umpiring cannot be understated. He was a true gentleman of the game. His tuition and guidance as an international umpire, experience as an executive of the NZ and Northland umpiring associations and the Northland cricket association will be missed.

The 2010/2011 season was a good one, with no judicial hearings. Many thanks must go to the players for the way in which the games were played and to the umpires for their "man management" of situations that inevitably arise in good competition.

Thank you also to Sean Roberts for his efforts through the season. He confirmed availability, assigned umpires to games and collected and tallied the captain's reports into a valuable off field tool for the umpires. Unfortunately due to health issues, he will not be available this season and his input will be sadly missed.

A big thank you goes to Warren Parr of Donovan's Trade Zone for their support of the umpires. Their sponsorship of jackets and kit was a luxury the association has not enjoyed for many years.

To all our umpires, Geoff Ogle, Kevin Salmon, Andy Thompson, Ross Kneebone, Ces Burke and Graham Dennie thank you for your dedication throughout the season. Hopefully we will welcome back Neil Smith this year and welcome on board Robert Parker. Having eight umpires this year places the association in the likely position of being able to provide two umpires to the majority of premier games this season. The aim is to double this number of part time and full time umpires to be able to guarantee cover for all premier games. This will allow for the inevitable personal and family commitments our umpires have to meet throughout the season.

Congratulations to Ross Kneebone for being not only the club umpire of the year but also standing in the most club games.

On a personal note I am standing down from my role in the association this year, my eldest child is playing his first season of cricket and I am looking forward to coaching and being involved in cricket in a different way. The day to day running of the association has been placed in the very capable hands of Ross Kneebone and I wish him well.

Helping and supporting the umpires association has been rewarding and I encourage people to get involved. It is important the umpires association is strong and that quality umpires help set a standard of cricket in Northland we can all be proud of.

Dean Potter
President

Club Cricket Season in Review

The 2011 – 2012 cricket season followed the same format as the previous three seasons with Kaipara Flats again hosting the T20s, followed by the Lion Red and Mark Cromie 50 over competitions with the bulk of the two days played after Christmas. Given the Northland representative season limits the available consecutive Saturdays where Northland players are available, we are limited in playing two days prior to the Christmas break and the Mark Cromie is played around those days when the representative players are away.

Kaipara Flats proved to be the dominant team in the premier competition, winning two of the four competitions whilst being beaten finalists in the other two. They deservedly won the overall Club of the Year title.

Three centuries were scored with Hamish Marshall, Ian Page and Nic Breslin all reaching that milestone. The best bowling figures for the season were returned by Matthew Taylor with 7/30 whilst John Child also claimed a seven wicket bag.

The leading run scorer in Premier cricket was Kaipara Flats' Michael O'Flaherty who scored 505 runs @ 31.5, whilst the leading wicket taker was import Joe Robbins (38 wickets @ 12) Curtis Cherrington was the leading domestic wicket taker (25 wickets @ 11.92) from Cody Andrews (24 wickets @ 16.33)

The Northland Club Cricketer of the Year was Michael O'Flaherty with 733 points with Ian Page a close second on 707 points. Michael scored 505 runs and chipped in with 8 wickets. City's Richard Atkins scored the most points with a superb last month of cricket. He deservedly wins the overseas Player of the Year with 945 points (396 runs @ 44 and 35 wickets @ 13.08) with Joe Robbins second on 907 points.

The T20 competition again saw the second weekend being hosted by the Kaipara Flats Cricket Club. Whilst Bradley Kneebone was the star of the T20s, it was Kaipara Flats who dominated and they comfortably accounted for the Whangarei Boys High team in the final. English import Joe Robbins and Michael O'Flaherty both scored runs and took wickets in the final.

The Lion Red competition is the premier one day title in Northland with the winner going on to represent the NCA in the Northern Districts Club Cricket Championships. Once again Kaipara Flats proved the dominant team going through to the final unbeaten in round robin play, whilst City secured their place on account of having one more bonus point than Onerahi. Unfortunately rain interfered with the final which saw Kaipara Flats awarded the title without a ball being bowled.

The Mark Cromie final was played at Cobham Oval and sprung a surprise result with Kamo beating Kaipara Flats by 43 runs. Kamo stalwarts Rhys Farrand, Jamie Millar and Dean Williams provided the bulk of the runs before Eden Crawford and Jamie Millar applied the pressure with their off spinners. It was Kamo's first championship in a number of years and great reward for their development programs.

The two day final was played on a damp Cobham Oval and it was City who prevailed by beating Kaipara Flats by eight wickets. With the toss being all important, City seamers Richard Atkins and Vishaan Harypursat bowled beautifully to dismiss Kaipara for 70. City declared at their overnight score of 107 for 8 before Richard Atkins again utilised the damp conditions to bowl Kaipara out for 109. City were untroubled in scoring the required 73 for victory. City's victory was the first time the second qualifier had won the final under the current format.

In Reserve Grade, Northern Wairoa again proved the dominant team winning both the pre and post Christmas round robins and then defeating Kamo in the final played at Dargaville High School. The withdrawal of Onerahi from the pre Christmas competition saw Kerikeri promoted, and with them unable to field a team post Christmas we saw the Kamo High School 2nd X1 enter the competition. Whilst it was great to see the spread and development of the game, it remains a concern that many clubs are unable to field a second team on a regular basis.

The Reserve Grade Player of the Year was Jacob Cherrington with 913 points, followed by Terry Duncan with 858 points. Jacob scored 510 runs @ 42.5, with two centuries and three fifties and also chipped in with 14 wickets. Jacob won the batting award from Keeley Johnson who scored 447 runs @ 40.6. The leading bowler in Reserve Grade was Tim King who took 28 wickets @ 8.67 from Logan Choat with 24 wickets @ 10.75.

Prior to Christmas we ran a 3rd Grade and a Junior Secondary competition but problems arose with the various playing depths of many teams so we merged the grades after the Christmas break. Kaipara Flats proved the strongest team in 3rd Grade and remained unbeaten to take the title.

Northland Club cricket faces two significant problems going forward. Many clubs find fielding a Reserve Grade team just too hard, especially after Christmas forcing an increase in the number of forfeits. This has led to a decreasing standard of play despite the quality of the grounds they can play on. The other issue is the dearth of willing umpires. On many occasions we were left with just three umpires to cover the games and I write with gratitude to those umpires who so willingly give up their Saturdays to officiate in club games.

Sean Roberts
Competition Manager

Bellahomes Junior Girl's Secondary Schools Tournament

NCA ran a highly successful tournament for girls ranging from Year 7 to Y10. Teams from Waikato Valley, Hamilton, Counties Manukau and Northland attended the two day tournament at the Kaipara Flats Cricket Club.

There were six teams in total with two from Waikato Valley and a composite team which was mainly Northland girls. They played three 12 over games on day one and two on day two.

The Northland girls, in their first game, beat the eventual tournament champions Counties Manukau. In fact the Northland girls would have been close to top of the table but for the fact that we rotated girls in and out of the Composite team. Ironically, when Northland played the Composite team, it was the Northland girls playing against us that got the Composite team up to beat us.

However the tournament was all about getting girls involved in cricket and above all enjoying the experience. The feedback from all was that this was achieved and a high number of these girls have put their hands up again this year to play. The challenge for NCA is to get more girls playing at the Y7 & 8 level and ND to find meaningful cricket for Y9 & Y10 girls to keep the momentum going.

A big thanks to Dave Lobb who was pivotal in helping me run both the teams and the tournament itself, plus Ros Guy and John Stephen from Kaipara Flats who were great hosts as usual.

Karl Treiber
Tournament Organiser



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Bellahomes Northland Primary Boys' Team

Tournament Team:

Aaron Ranara capt, Lewis Miller, Caleb Boswell-Smith, Dante Mitchell, Chamodh Peiris, Christian Nitsche, Matt Kingi, Finn Trimble, Harris Harding, Jarod Ross, Hamish Kidd, Connor Wilson

Selectors: Richard Pooley, Roger Kidd, Nira Kingi

Coach: Karl Treiber

From a miserable, cold introduction to the representative cricket season against Counties in October, the team developed nicely throughout the programme to end it with a satisfying win against Manukau Districts.

Highlights throughout the season were the wins against Hamilton and Western Districts and a close fought loss to North Harbour.

All the players had their moments, but there was a lack of consistency across the board. With a highest batting average of just 23, it shows up the need for greater application from all batsman, whether at the top of the order or number 11. This will be the key message as these players progress through the grades. We must score more runs to give our bowlers a chance.

Chamodh Peris, Christian Nitsche, Caleb Matthews and Finn Trimble showed glimpses of their potential, without nailing a really big score.

Bowling wise there are some exciting spin prospects with Aaron Ranara, an off spinner from Kerikeri, Chamodh Peris with his leggies and the rapidly improving left arm orthodox Hamish Kidd from Dargaville.

Physically we had a pretty small team, which does affect results at this level. Now it is about developing these players over the next two years and keeping them enjoying their cricket. They have the potential as a unit to perform in the top tier at NDC level and the best of them to be significant players in Northern Districts representative teams.

Karl Treiber
Coach

Bellahomes Junior Secondary Boys

Tournament Team:

Sam Clotworthy (Captain), Fletcher Coutts, Ryan West, Findlay Buchanan, Ben Turner, Shane Burton, Max Trimble, Ashton Pattenden, Josh Crawford, Matthew Lobb, Liam Jones, Shannon Kloppers

Coaches: Roger Turner, Grant West

Pro Coach: Cody Andrews

Manager: Dave Lobb

Leading into the Northern District Tournament with home advantage and local knowledge of our grass wickets we were quietly confident but with rain on the Sunday; the first three days were played on artificial wickets which hindered our fire power. After winning against Waikato Valley Plains we had to beat Hamilton the next day to make the top four but lost out by 18 runs. Having to beat BOP Coastlands and Max Trimble bowling them out cheaply taking 6-28 off 10 overs we had a chance but fell 40 runs short. On Thursday we played off for 5th & 6th and on a grass wicket our true strengths came through with a convincing outright win.

Special mention to Max Trimble who was all-rounder of the season, Sam Clotworthy with the bat scoring the most runs, Ben Turner with his consistent bowling and Finlay Buchanan for his outstanding fielding. Shane Burton bowled his out swingers on the spot all week and was unlucky not to pick up more wickets. Fletcher Coutts with his 'nut case' humour kept the boys together as a team.

NDC Tournament at Whangarei (Kensington Park and Tikipunga)

Day 1 Northland (Sam Clotworthy 62, Liam Jones 27) def Waikato Valley Plains (Max Trimble 4-28, Finlay Buchanan 3-23, Ben Turner 2-18)

Day 2 Northland (Fletcher Coutts 59, Sam Clotworthy 31, Ryan West 25) lost to Hamilton (Max Trimble 2-41, Fletcher Coutts 2-13)

Day 3 Northland lost to BOP Coastlands (Max Trimble 6-28)

Days 4 & 5 Northland (Sam Clotworthy 49, Fletcher Coutts 25 & 30, Max Trimble 27 & 34, Ben Turner 14 and Matt Lobb 13 & 13) defeated outright Poverty Bay (Max Trimble 3-25 & 2-11, Fin Buchanan 2-21, Shane Burton 2-15 & 2-12, Ben Turner 2-10)

Standout performances for us were Max Trimble's 17 wickets for the week.

Development team

The JSS development team started well with two great wins over Counties, before close losses to Western Districts and North Harbour. Good teamwork and spirit dominated this team but there were standout performances from Josh Crawford, Liam Seeley, Baylan Connelly, Aaron Randall and Jeremy Crawford.

Higher Honours

NDC under 16 - Sam Clotworthy, Sean Daniels

NDC under 16 development X1 - Max Trimble

Batsman of season - Sam Clotworthy

Bowler of season - Ben Turner

Fielder of season - Findlay Buchanan

Player of season - Max Trimble

Summary

Thanks to Cody, Westy and Lobby for their organisation and support which was appreciated by the boys and myself (they were awesome) and I would like to take this opportunity to wish Lobby all the best for next year.

Roger Turner



Bellahomes Northland Junior Secondary Schools Team

Bellahomes Northland Senior Secondary Schools' Team

Gisborne 12th - 17th December 2011

Tournament Team:

Henry Cooper, Jordan Antunovich, Bradley Kneebone, Max Davies,
Kurtly Watson, Keely Johnson, Tom Herman, Aiden Miller, Eden Crawford,
Kieran Nelson, David Armit, Ben Smith

Selector/Coach Ross Kneebone

Manager Barry Herman

Game one vs B.O.P Lakelands

Lakelands

199/5 Armit 2/39, Nelson 2/21

Northland

200/8 Johnson 67, Herman 32, Watson 25, Kneebone 21.

Win to Northland by 2 wickets

Game two vs Waikato Valley South

Waikato Valley South

179/7: Miller 2/17, Crawford 3/36

Northland

180/5 Cooper 70*, Johnson 28, Antunovich 20

Win to Northland by 5 wickets

Game three vs Hamilton

Northland batted

184: Cooper 95, Herman 20

Hamilton 173/4

Win to Northland by 13 runs

Final - Two day match vs Counties

Northland won toss and elected to bat

Northland

287 Cooper 74, Kneebone 65, Smith 32, Herman 26, Johnson 24, Miller 21.

Counties

288/8 Cooper 4/43

Win to Counties by 2 wickets.

The team worked hard all week to defend the trophy they had won the previous season, on the day Counties came up with a very polished batting performance.

Many thanks to all the supporters who followed the team to Gisborne

Ross Kneebone

Coach

Bellahomes Northland Men's 2nd X1 Team Report

The Northland Men's 2nd X1 played some good cricket throughout the season and was second in their respective competition. An extended Northland squad worked as a collective unit in training sessions throughout the season and the hard work paid off for players that were selected to play for the Northland 2nd X1.

Craig Coffey was particularly dominant with the bat and he scored a season best 140 not out against Counties-Manukau. He also contributed with 90 against Hamilton and steered the team home with a classy innings on that particular occasion. Nick Breslin played a fantastic innings when the Northland lads played Waikato Valley and his 105 was a highlight of that match.

Richard Atkins was the bowler of the competition for the Northland team. He was economical and demanding in all of the matches and his 5 for 17 against Taranaki was the season's best bowling performance. Tom Herman was also in good form with the ball and picked up 4 for 27 off a good 10 over spell in the game against Hamilton.

Henry Cooper and Curtis Cherrington were two other consistent performers for the team and Nick Breslin was a great contributor in all facets. Their respective all round batting, bowling and fielding performances were vitally important to the success that the team had during the season.

The Batsman of the Season went to Craig Coffey, the Bowler of the Season to Richard Akins and the Player of the Season was awarded to Nick Breslin.

Stephen Cunis
Operations Manager



Simon Crawford (Bellahomes) Presents Nic Breslin with the 2nd X1 Player of the Year trophy

Bellahomes Northland Men's X1 Report

The 2011/12 season was important to Northland Cricket as many of the team's performances had been relatively disappointing last season, particularly in terms of the team's consistency as both individuals and as a team.

Having come back to Northland from Canterbury and having played and coached at a very successful club in Christchurch over a 15 year period, I thought it important to not only promote the history and traditions of Northland Cricket but also to introduce fresh and challenging training and playing philosophies.

To be frank, that is a long winded way of saying that I felt it significant to recognize the importance of our province and the many legends that have represented it whilst putting my spin on it! In speaking with the selectors, Barry Cooper and Murray Child, we decided to have the A and B 'squads' train together. The reasoning for this was because we believed that all players and in turn the 'overall team' will improve if numbers are high at training sessions and pressure is apparent by way of fringe players consistently challenging the more regular players.

The training sessions were tough and there were very high expectations. In turn, all players that attended these sessions on a regular basis developed skilfully and just as importantly the Northland squad started to develop meaningful team spirit and gain a better understanding of celebrating other players' success.

In terms of the season, we played some bloody good cricket. The Taupo tournament was successful. We beat Waikato Valley comprehensively and also beat Poverty Bay, albeit the match was closer than we would've hoped. We narrowly lost to Bay of Plenty but all in all, it was a solid start to the season.

Players to stand out at the tournament were the ever reliable Steven Knox, who was our overseas player. He scored 159 runs over the three matches and was extremely valuable to the team with his experience and leadership qualities. Ian Paige, Chris McGoldrick and Ben Hyde also contributed well with the bat, as did Joe Yovich. Bowling wise, Cody Andrews and Matty Taylor were the pick and they were ably backed up by Ryan Smith and our captain John Child.

The team then played Bay of Plenty at Cobham Oval in our first Two Day match. Because we needed an outright result to have any chance of gaining a Hawk Cup challenge, we asked for a green wicket but unfortunately we lost the toss and were put in. That meant an outright result was doubtful but that was overshadowed by Brad Kneebone's maiden hundred for Northland. He played a tough and gritty innings and his doggedness was certainly respected and appreciated by the entire squad and the supporters that were watching. Having scored 251 was more than competitive and when we had Bay of Plenty 79 for 5 and later 187 for 7, we were right in the match but we missed some vital chances and they passed our total 8 down.

We then played Hamilton in a Two Day and One Day match respectively and lost both, the One Dayer by 3 runs. Shortly after that match, we played Counties Manukau in a

One Dayer and lost by 6 runs when chasing 282. This was very frustrating for all involved but it was becoming apparent that the team seemed to lack confidence and calmness when we were under the pump. This often happens when a team hasn't won too many close games. I believe that after these three games we turned a bit of a corner as we started to train more specifically on learning to finish/win games, especially with the bat, when given the chance.

In those three matches, Steven Knox played well and had scores of 53, 55 and 71. Although these were good scores, the team has high expectations and Knoxy was the first admit he should have batted through and won us at least two of those matches. Ben Hyde played well and showed his class on a couple of occasions as did Joe Yovich in his innings against Counties Manukau. The bowler to stand out in those matches was by far and away Matt Taylor. He bowled with pace and accuracy and his 5 for 36 against Hamilton and was outstanding. Cody Andrews and John Child also did well for us with the ball.

Our final two games were against Counties Manukau and Waikato Valley in the Two Day Competition. We played Counties Manukau at Cobham Oval and because of the weather leading up to the match, the wicket was going to be bowler friendly up front, so much so as Northland's ex wicket keeper Brett Hood was heard to say that he'd get four for spit on it! Although probably not that bowler friendly, it was certainly going to be tough for the team that lost the toss. We lost the toss!

This, however, saw some gutsy and very determined batting by our top 8 batters. Kneebone scored a resolute 45 in as many overs, Coffey a well paced 40 and the evergreen Bert Horner a stubborn 52. Ian Paige and Nick Breslin were powerful but controlled in their partnership of 113 for the 5th wicket. Paigey's score of 80 and Needle's of 65 were influential in getting us to a great score of 356. We then bowled well on the second day when the wicket had flattened out, took our chances and bowled them out for just over 300. Wickets were shared around but the stand out bowlers were Cody Andrews who bowled quick and aggressively and Curtis Cherrington who bowled with accuracy and patience.

What was really rewarding was that we had nine regular 'first picks' not available for various reasons. In turn, Counties Manukau had a near full strength team with no less than five First Class and two ND 'A' players in their star studded line up. Whether it was by luck or management, I believe the fact that the entire squad trained together on a regular basis helped in getting valuable points out of this game.

Waikato Valley was our last game. We played them on another bowler friendly wicket in Cambridge and we lost the toss again, maybe that is something that we can work on for next season! With no sight screens and poor light after a delayed start, we did exceedingly well in getting 198. At 64 for 5, Ben Hyde and Nick Breslin came together and put on 73. They both played well and scored 41 and 26 respectively. Kevin Forde then chipped in with 23 not out and we had a very competitive score.

When it came to our bowling innings, Cody Andrews once again bowled with pace. Not only in this match was it evident that Cody can bowl over 140kmph but his pace was

totally obvious when the Waikato Valley batsmen had few answers on the wicket we were on and they capitulated for 90. Cody picked up three, Kevin Forde also got three and Kurtley Watson, making his debut for Northland, got two wickets and certainly didn't look out of place in the Northland shirt.

We enforced the follow on and they showed a bit more application but we eventually bowled them out for 206, the wickets being shared around. This meant we needed 99 off 18 overs and Nick Breslin and Steven Knox opened. They had an opening stand of 74 in 9 overs and we eventually got the required runs in 15 overs. It was fitting for Knoxy to bat through, hit the winning runs and be unbeaten on 40.

All in all, it was a solid season and we are relatively well placed heading into the next. We played some good cricket but I am under no illusions that we need to train harder and more often, have very smart game plans and develop a winning culture if we are to consistently beat the likes of Hamilton and Bay of Plenty.

In finishing, I feel it very important to thank the following people; our manager John Fitzpatrick for his tremendous effort over the season, Murray Child and Barry Cooper for their tireless work in watching club cricket, attending trainings and selecting both the A and B teams, Greg Guy and the board for their commitment to the Northland team, Gary Bell for his on-going support for our team; both on and off the field and to the Cobham Club for their constant messages of encouragement and overall support of OUR TEAM!

Stephen Cunis
Coach



Bellahomes 2nd X1 Games

v Counties Manukau @ War Memorial Park Manurewa on 6th November 2011

Counties 231/8 off 50 overs (M Gurrey 69, N Kelly 51*, M Taylor 3/20)

Northland 226 for 5 off 43.5 overs (revised target of 224) (C Coffey 140*, I Page 36)

Northland won by 5 wickets

v Waikato Valley @ Galloway Park 20th November 2011

Waikato Valley 223 for 8 off 50 overs (T Seifert 107, R Atkins 2/16, T Herman 2/28)

Northland 224 for 4 off 46.2 overs (N Breslin 105, R Atkins 42)

Northland won by 6 wickets

v Hamilton @ Jansen Park on 29th January 2012

Hamilton 187 for 8 off 50 overs (M Thomas 85*, S Rae 30*, T Herman 4/27)

Northland 188 for 4 off 48.1 overs (H Cooper 65, C Coffey 90)

Northland won by 6 wickets

v Bay of Plenty @ Cobham Oval on 30th January 2012

Northland 154 all out (C Page 31, C Cherrington 46, T Clout 4/22)

Bay of Plenty 155 for 0 off 42.2 overs (M McCann 59*, T Clarke 79*)

Bay of Plenty won by 10 wickets

v Taranaki on 5th February 2012 (Friendly match)

Northland 198 for 9 off 50 overs (R Atkins 47, C Cherrington 46)

Taranaki 160 all out (H McIntyre 71*, R Atkins 5 for 17)

Northland won by 38 runs

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NORTHLAND 2ND X1 ONE DAY AVERAGES

	PLAYED	INNS	RUNS	NO	HS	AVERAGE	CATCHES
C COFFEY	3	3	230	1	140*	115.00	
N BRESLIN	4	4	134		105	33.50	1
R ATKINS	5	5	121		47	24.20	1
H COOPER	4	3	100		65	33.33	
C CHERRINGTON	3	2	92		46	46.00	
C PAGE	3	3	44	2	31	42.00	2
I PAGE	1	1	36		36	36.00	
H DARKINS	1	1	29		29	29.00	1
K FORDE	1	1	27	1	27*		
H DARKINS	1	1	21		21	21.00	
M OFLAHERTY	3	3	19		15	06.33	2
B HORNER	5	5	18	3	13*	09.00	8 & 2
B KNEEBONE	1	1	10		10	10.00	
K WATSON	3	1	7		7	07.00	1
B SMITH	1	1	7	1	7*		
K DILL	2	1	6		6	06.00	
A MILLER	3	1	6	1	6*		1
D WILLIAMS	1	1	2		2	02.00	
R DARKINS	1	1	1		1	01.00	
B HYDE	1	1	0		0	00.00	1
M TAYLOR	1						2
T HERMAN	3						2

	OVERS	MAIDENS	WKTS	RUNS	AVERAGE	RPO
R ATKINS	46	13	8	131	16.38	2.85
T HERMAN	21	1	6	63	10.50	3.00
M TAYLOR	9	3	3	20	6.67	2.20
R SMITH	10	0	2	28	14.00	2.80
C CHERRINGTON	19	2	2	56	28.00	2.95
A MILLER	13	3	2	48	24.00	3.69
C PAGE	13	0	2	67	33.50	5.15
K WATSON	21.5	1	2	90	45.00	4.19
M UNDUGODAGE	14	1	2	92	46.00	6.57
R DARKINS	3.4	1	1	26	26.00	7.65
W JOHNSON	9	0	1	46	46.00	5.11
H COOPER	14	2	1	59	59.00	4.21
K DILL	20	3	1	67	67.00	3.35
C COFFEY	19.3	1	0	103		5.34
M OFLAHERTY	4	0	0	27		6.75
N BRESLIN	3	0	0	10		3.33

Bellahomes 1st X1 50 Over Games

v Waikato Valley on the 13th November 2011 @ Owen Delaney Park, Taupo

Northland 275 for 6 off 50 overs (S Knox 90, I Page 69)

Waikato Valley 97 (M Taylor 3/30, J Child 2/23)

Northland won by 178 runs

v Poverty Bay on the 14th November 2011 @ Owen Delaney Park, Taupo

Northland 262 for 6 off 50 overs (C McGoldrick 80, S Knox 48, M Jefferson 3/52)

Poverty Bay 163 for 5 off 29 overs (J Bates 61*, C Page 2/46)

Northland won by 1 run on Duckworth Lewis

v Bay of Plenty on the 15th November 2011 @ Owen Delaney Park, Taupo

Northland 120 all out (B Hyde 32, S Knox 21, J Boulton 4/23, T Goodin 3/7)

Bay of Plenty 121 for 5 (B Popli 63*, C Andrews 2/16, R Smith 2/31)

Northland lost by 5 wickets

v Hamilton on the 15th January 2012 @ Cobham Oval

Hamilton 237 for 9 off 50 overs (A Dodd 76, M Dodunski 50, M Taylor 5 for 36)

Northland 234 for 9 off 50 overs (S Knox 53, B Hyde 64)

Northland lost by 3 runs

v Counties Manukau on the 5th February 2012 @ Weymouth Oval

Counties Manukau 282 for 7 off 50 overs

(T Clarke 147*, M Taylor 3/48, T Herman 3/55)

Northland 275 for 6 off 50 overs (S Knox 71, B Wilson 58, J Yovich 47*, B Arnel 3/31)

Northland lost by 7 runs

Partnership of 132 for 3rd wicket between S Knox and I Page v Waikato Valley 13th November

Partnership of 138 for 1st wicket between C McGoldrick and S Knox v Poverty Bay 14th November

M Taylor 5 for 36 v Hamilton at Cobham Oval 15th January 2012

NORTHLAND 1ST X1 ONE DAY AVERAGES

	PLAYED	INNS	RUNS	NO	HS	AVERAGE	CATCHES
S KNOX	5	5	283		90	56.60	3
B HYDE	5	5	174		64	34.80	2
J YOVICH	4	4	104	2	47*	52.00	
I PAGE	5	5	100		69	20.00	2
C MCGOLDRICK	3	3	95		80	31.67	1
B WILSON	1	1	58		58	58.00	
C COFFEY	5	5	49	1	32	12.25	4
H COOPER	2	2	37		37	18.50	1
B KNEEBONE	5	2	34	1	20	34.00	5
C PAGE	2	2	34	1	18*	34.00	3
J CHILD	4	4	25	1	23	8.33	
N BRESLIN	1	1	13		13	13.00	
K FORDE	3	2	10	1	7*	10.00	
J MARSHALL	1	1	7		7	7.00	1
M TAYLOR	4	1	7		7	7.00	1
C ANDREWS	4	2	1	2	1*		
R SMITH	5						3
T HERMAN	1						

	OVERS	MAIDENS	WKTS	RUNS	AVERAGE	RPO
M TAYLOR	33	3	11	131	11.91	3.97
C ANDREWS	27	1	5	97	19.40	3.59
R SMITH	38	2	4	151	37.75	3.97
T HERMAN	9	0	3	55	18.33	6.11
K FORDE	22.5	2	3	76	25.33	3.38
C PAGE	11	1	2	71	35.50	6.45
J CHILD	21	4	2	96	48.00	4.57
J MARSHALL	10	1	1	27	27.00	2.70
C COFFEY	4	0	0	10		2.50
J YOVICH	14	0	0	108		7.71
H COOPER	6	0	0	49		8.17

Bellahomes 1st X1 Two Day Games

v Bay of Plenty on 26th and 27th November 2011 @ Cobham Oval

Northland 251 for 9 declared (B Kneebone 115, A Singh 3/67) and 68 for 3 (C Coffey 30*)

BOP 283 for 9 declared (B Popli 65, B Christenson 60, B Hampton 57)

Northland lost on First Innings

v Hamilton on 10th and 11th December 2011 @ Galloway Park

Hamilton 286 all out (A Dodd 83, B Hartwell 53, J Child 3/57)

Northland 211 all out (S Knox 53, C Coffey 35, A Matheson 5/48, J Baker 3/37)

Northland lost on First Innings

v Counties Manukau on 18th and 19th February 2012 @ Cobham Oval

Northland 356 all out (I Page 80, N Breslin 65, B Horner 52, T Urry 4-61)

Counties Manukau 329 all out (C Andrews 3/81, R Smith 3/59)

Northland won on First Innings

v Waikato Valley on 3rd and 4th March 2012 @ Cambridge Square

Northland 198 all out (S Knox 34, B Hyde 41) and 99 for 4 (S Knox 40, N Breslin 39*)

Waikato Valley 90 all out (C Andrews 3/26, K Forde 3/13) and 206 (R Smith 3/58)

Northland won outright by 6 wickets

B Kneebone 115 v Bay of Plenty on 26th November 2011 at Cobham Oval

Partnership of 113 for the 5th wicket between I Page and N Breslin v Counties Manukau 18th February 2012 at Cobham Oval



NORTHLAND 1ST X1 TWO DAY AVERAGES

	PLAYED	INNS	RUNS	NO	HS	AVERAGE	CATCHES
B KNEEBONE	4	5	212		115	42.40	11
N BRESLIN	4	5	167	1	65	41.75	1
S KNOX	4	6	154	1	53	30.80	3
I PAGE	5	5	111	1	80	27.75	
C COFFEY	4	6	103	1	37	20.60	4
B HYDE	3	5	86	1	41	21.50	4
H COOPER	3	5	73		27	14.60	2
B HORNER	1	1	52		52	52.00	
K FORDE	3	3	27		23	9.00	1
C CHERRINGTON	1	1	26		26	26.00	
C ANDREWS	4	3	21	1	14	10.50	3
C PAGE	2	2	20		12	10.00	5
M TAYLOR	3	3	14		14	4.67	2
R DARKINS	1	1	3		3	3.00	
R SMITH	4	1	3	1	3*		
J CHILD	1	1	2		2	2.00	2
K WATSON	1	1	1		1	1.00	
T HERMAN	1						

	OVERS	MAIDENS	WKTS	RUNS	AVERAGE
C ANDREWS	88	26	10	250	25.00
R SMITH	60	11	9	210	23.33
K FORDE	50.5	16	7	157	22.43
M TAYLOR	60.5	17	6	209	34.83
J CHILD	19	3	3	57	19.00
K WATSON	12	0	3	62	20.67
C PAGE	7	2	2	14	7.00
N BRESLIN	6	0	2	17	8.50
H COOPER	18	5	2	48	24.00
T HERMAN	16	4	2	65	32.50
B HYDE	1	1	1	0	0.00
C CHERRINGTON	17	6	0	31	

Annual Cricket Awards

Grade and Trophies Presented

C Grade Pre Christmas Champions - Crowe Shield
C Grade Post Christmas Champions
B Grade Pre Christmas Champions - Shield
B Grade Post Christmas Champions
A Grade Pre Christmas Champions
A Grade Post Christmas Champions

Winner Names

Kamo Beige
Kamo Beige
Northern Waiora Gold
Bream Bay
Kamo Red
Northern Waiora

Bellahomes Age Group Awards

Bellahomes Primary Boys

Bellahomes Primary Boys Batsmen
Bellahomes Primary Boys Bowler
Bellahomes Primary Boys Fielder
Bellahomes Northland Primary School Boys
Player of the Year + Trophy

Charmodh Pieris
Aaron Ranara
Lewis Miller
Christian Nitsche

Bellahomes Secondary School Girls

Bellahomes Northland Women
Player of the Year - Trophy

Olivia Lobb

Bellahomes Jnr Sec Boys

Bellahomes Jnr Sec Boys Batsman
Bellahomes Jnr Sec Boys Bowler
Bellahomes Jnr Sec Boys Fielder
Bellahomes Jnr Sec Boys
Player of the Year

Sam Clotworthy
Ben Turner
Finlay Buchanan
Max Trimble

Bellahomes Northland Snr Sec Boys

Bellahomes Northland Snr Sec Boys Batsman
Bellahomes Northland Snr Sec Boys Bowler
Bellahomes Northland Snr Sec Boys Fielder
Bellahomes Northland Snr Sec Boys
Player of the Year

Henry Cooper
Henry Cooper
Eden Crawford
Henry Cooper

Northland Secondary Schools T20 Winner -
Bruce Scott Trophy

Kamo High School

Northland Jnr Sec T20 - **Armstrong Shield**

WBHS Colts

Northland Secondary Schools 1st X1 of the Year - Robertson Shield	WBHS
Secondary School Girls Leef Cup	Kamo High School
Third Grade pre Xmas Champions - Russell Smith Trophy	Kamo High School 2nd X1
Third Grade post Xmas Champions	Kaipara Flats

Bellahomes Northland Reserve Grade Awards - Senior

T20 Senior Reserve Champions - Hill Construction Trophy	Kamo High School
Competition 2 - Post Christmas Senior Champions - Tait Real Estate Trophy	Northern Waiora
Competition 1 - Pre Christmas Senior Champions - Spire Trophy	Northern Waiora
Senior Club Bowler of the Year	Tim King
Senior Club Batsman of the Year	Jacob Cherrington
Senior Club Cricketer of the Year	Jacob Cherrington
Premier Club Bowler of the Year	Curtis Cherrington
Premier Club Batsman of the Year	Michael O'Flaherty
Premier Wicket Keeper of the Year 34 catches and 2 stumps - Lance Mountain Trophy	Bert Horner
Professional Player of the Year - Norm Wilson Medal	Richard Atkins
Premier Resident Player of the Year - Bob Cunis Trophy	Michael O'Flaherty

Bellahomes Northland Premier Club Awards

Premier T20 Champions - HRV Trophy	Kaipara Flats
Premier 50 Over Champions - Lion Red Trophy	Kaipara Flats
Premier - 50 Over Champions - Mark Cromie Holden Trophy	Kamo
Premier 2 Day Champions - Oxford Trust Trophy	City CC
Premier Club of the Year - Dargaville Shield	Kaipara Flats
Umpire Award - Graham Cowan Trophy	Ross Kneebone

Bellahomes Senior Mens Award

Northland 2nd X1 Awards

2nd X1 Batsman of the Year	Craig Coffey
2nd X1 Bowler of the Year	Richard Atkins

Bellahomes Northland 2nd X1 Developmental Player of the Year	Nick Breslin
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Northland 1st X1 Awards

Northland Captains Trophy (Awarded to Captain of most games for season)	John Child
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Greatest Contribution to Northland Team (Captains Selection) Norm Wilson Trophy	Murray Child/Barry Cooper
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Most Meritorious Performance 1st X1 Player Bob Henman Trophy	Bradley Kneebone
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Northland Bowler of the Year	Matthew Taylor
Northland Batsman of the Year	Steven Knox

Bellahomes Northland 1st X1 Cricketer of the Year	Steven Knox
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Brian Dunning Medal	Steven Knox
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Bellahomes Northland Cricketer of the Year	Tim Southee
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Northern Districts Milestones of Northland Players in 2011-2012 season

Highest Run Scorer for NDC James Marshall 5728

Most First Class for NDC James Marshall 117

First Class Milestones

50 matches Brad Wilson

4000 Runs Hamish Marshall 4093
Joseph Yovich 4255

Limited Over Milestones

2000 Runs: Hamish Marshall 2226

Twenty20 Milestones

Highest Score: Hamish Marshall 86 not out

Best Bowling Districts Tim Southee 3 for 16 vs Central

Record Partnership vs All Associations

1st Wicket 65 Brad Wilson and BJ Watling vs Auckland

5th wicket 93 Hamish Marshall and Scott Styris vs Otago

BLACKCAPS vs ZIMBABWE

Inaugural One Day International Waitangi Day 2012

SPORT

Advocate

Target just too high for struggling Zimbabwe

Cricket
By Kris Shannon of APNZ

New Zealand waltzed to a rare ODI series win in Whangarei yesterday, crushing Zimbabwe by 141 runs to take a 2-0 lead in the three-match series.

The Black Caps batted first and racked up a mammoth total of 372-6 before limiting a stubborn batting effort from the tourists to 231. Led by opener Rob Nicol's 146, New Zealand posted their third largest total in one-day history, easily more than enough to claim victory.

The win renders irrelevant Thursday's third game in Napier, though New Zealand would want to get in all the practise they can before the more illustrious South Africa come calling later this month.

While the match was never much of a contest, at least the crowd at Cobham Oval were treated to a batting masterclass from Nicol, who eventually fell in the 49th over for 146 from 136 balls — the fifth-highest score by a New Zealander in one-dayers. Nicol shared in a 131-run opening stand with Martin Guptill (77), while a quickfire 50 from Jacob Oram, batting at three, upped the hosts' run rate and enabled a score well in excess of 300.

Nicol and Guptill saw New Zealand make a solid start to their innings, with Guptill continuing his aggressive recent form. Zimbabwe first struck in the 24th over, and it was the Auckland opener who again fell with a century in his sights, caught on the boundary with his team on 131-1.

That wicket saw the promotion of Jacob Oram to act as a pinch hitter, and the big allrounder didn't disappoint. Oram needed just 23 balls to bring up his half-century — the seventh-fastest in New Zealand's ODI history — smashing five fours and three sixes to send the run rate surging.

Zimbabwe weren't helping themselves in the field, botching a couple of run out opportunities and grassing a few catches, including one from Nicol in his nineties. The Cantabrian went on to bring up his second ODI century, an anchoring innings coming off 115 balls.

Nicol accelerated his scoring after reaching three figures, and by the time he was dismissed with seven balls remaining, the damage was well and truly done. Tom Latham chipped in with 48 from 28 balls as New Zealand took 86 runs from the final five overs to finish on 372-6.

Zimbabwe were never likely to seriously threaten that target, and with both openers back in the pavilion by the fifth over that threat seemed even more minuscule. By the time Kyle Mills and Brendon McCullum combined to dismiss key man Brendon Taylor in the seventh over, all hope appeared lost.

From there, the only real point of interest for the Black Caps was

how quickly they'd be tucking into their dinner. But Tatenda Taibu (50) and Elton Chigumbura (63) frustrated the New Zealand bowling attack with an 80-run partnership for Zimbabwe's sixth wicket.

Jacob Oram was the pick of the home bowlers with 3-29.

Scoreboard

New Zealand
Rob Nicol c S. Masakadza b Utseya 146
Martin Guptill c S. Masakadza b Price 77
Jacob Oram c Chakabva b H. Masakadza 59

Brendon McCullum c S. Masakadza b Utseya 20
Kane Williamson c H. Masakadza b Utseya 4

Tom Latham b S. Masakadza 48

Dean Brownlie not out 2

Andrew Ellis not out 7

Extras (1b,1lb,7w) 9

Total: (for six wickets) 372

Overs: 50.

Fall: 1-131, 2-208, 3-246, 4-261, 5-353, 6-364.

Bowling: Shingirai Masakadza 8-1-68-1

(2w), Kyle Jarvis 9-1-73-0, Prosper

Utseya 10-0-71-3, Elton Chigumbura

8-0-55-0 (4w), Ray Price 10-0-67-1 (1w),

Hamilton Masakadza 5-0-36-1.

Zimbabwe

Hamilton Masakadza c Brownlie b

Southee 5

Stuart Matsikenyeri c Ellis b Mills 3

Regis Chakabva lbw b Oram 11

Brendan Taylor c McCullum b Mills 4

Tatenda Taibu c Nethula b Nicol 50

Malcolm Waller c McCullum b Oram 18

Elton Chigumbura b Oram 63

Prosper Utseya not out 27

Shingirai Masakadza c Ellis b Williamson

38

Ray Price not out 0

Extras (4lb,8w) 12

Total: (for eight wickets) 231

Overs: 50.

Fall: 1-5, 2-12, 3-17, 4-35, 5-62, 6-142,

7-167, 8-231.

Bowling: Kyle Mills 8-1-27-2, Tim

Southee 10-0-50-1 (4w), Jacob Oram

10-1-29-3 (2w), Taran Nethula

10-0-55-0, Rob Nicol 4-0-25-1, Andrew

Ellis 5-0-25-0 (2w), Kyle Williamson

3-0-16-1.

Result: New Zealand won by 141 runs.

Series: New Zealand leads the three-match series 2-0.

Message from the PM

BLACKCAPS
v
ZIMBABWE
WAITANGI DAY, 2012

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This is a great opportunity
to showcase your
newly upgraded
Cobham Oval

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BEST WISHES TO NORTHLAND CRICKET and the people of Whangarei as you host the One Day International match between the Black Caps and Zimbabwe.

This is a great opportunity to showcase your newly upgraded Cobham Oval, which has come a long way in recent years and is a wonderful asset for your community. I hope you are all proud of your new world-class facilities.

I know how important it is for our regions that New Zealand continues to attract high level events such as this One Day International. We need to continue building on the momentum of last year's Rugby World Cup.

As a small trading nation, New Zealand relies on our ability to attract visitors. Increasing international exposure for New Zealand is an important priority for me as Minister of Tourism.

Whangarei is well placed to benefit from increased tourism, as a gateway to greater Northland and the beautiful Bay of Islands.

I'm pleased that all eyes will be on Whangarei this Waitangi weekend.

I hope you make the most of having extra visitors in town, by showcasing the best of Northland tourism and hospitality to both national and international visitors.

Best wishes for an enjoyable weekend, I hope you enjoy all that Whangarei has to offer.

Rt Hon John Key
Prime Minister

New Zealand v Zimbabwe

Zimbabwe in New Zealand 2011/12 (2nd ODI)

Venue: Cobham Oval (New), Whangarei on 6th February 2012
(50-over match)

Balls Per Over: 6

Toss: Zimbabwe won the toss and decided to field

Result: New Zealand won by 141 runs

Umpires: AL Hill, RJ Tucker (Australia)

TV umpire: Enamul Haque (Bangladesh)

Referee: DC Boon (Australia)

Reserve Umpire: BG Frost

Man of the Match: RJ Nicol

New Zealand Innings

		Runs	Balls	Mins	4s	6s	S-Rate
RJ Nicol	c SW Masakadza b Utseya	146	134	198	10	6	108.96
MJ Guptill	c SW Masakadza b Price	77	80	93	8	2	96.25
JDP Oram	c Chakabva b H Masakadza	59	28	35	5	4	210.71
*+BB McCullum	c SW Masakadza b Utseya	20	18	23	1	1	111.11
KS Williamson	c H Masakadza b Utseya	4	8	7	-	-	50.00
TWM Latham	b SW Masakadza	48	28	41	5	2	171.43
DG Brownlie	not out	2	2	7	-	-	100.00
AM Ellis	not out	7	2	2	-	1	350.00
TS Nethula	did not bat						
KD Mills	did not bat						
TG Southee	did not bat						
Extras	(1 b, 1 lb, 7 w)	9					
Total (6 wickets, innings closed, 206 minutes, 50 overs)		372					

Fall of wickets:

1-131 (Guptill, 23.4 ov), 2-208 (Oram, 32.4 ov), 3-246 (McCullum, 38.3 ov), 4-261 (Williamson, 40.6 ov), 5-353 (Nicol, 48.5 ov), 6-364 (Latham, 49.3 ov)

Zimbabwe Bowling

	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Wides	No-Balls	S-Rate	Econ
SW Masakadza	8	1	68	1	2	-	48.00	8.50
Jarvis	9	1	73	0	-	-	-	8.11
Utseya	10	0	71	3	-	-	20.00	7.10
Chigumbura	8	0	55	0	4	-	-	6.88
Price	10	0	67	1	1	-	60.00	6.70
H Masakadza	5	0	36	1	-	-	30.00	7.20

Zimbabwe Innings

		Runs	Balls	Mins	4s	6s	S-Rate
H Masakadza	c Brownlie b Southee	5	8	6	-	-	62.50
S Matsikenyeri	c Ellis b Mills	3	9	18	-	-	33.33
RW Chakabva	lbw b Oram	11	33	49	-	-	33.33
*BRM Taylor	c McCullum b Mills	4	8	10	-	-	50.00
+T Taibu	c Nethula b Nicol	50	76	114	1	-	65.79
MN Waller	c McCullum b Oram	18	23	25	2	-	78.26
E Chigumbura	b Oram	63	69	75	7	1	91.30
P Utseya	not out	27	43	58	2	-	62.79
SW Masakadza	c Ellis b Williamson	38	31	42	3	2	122.58
RW Price	not out	0	0	1	-	-	0.00
KM Jarvis	did not bat						
Extras	(4 lb, 8 w)	12					
Total (8 wickets, innings closed, 203 minutes, 50 overs)		231					

Fall of wickets:

1-5 (H Masakadza , 1.4 ov), 2-12 (Matsikenyeri , 4.2 ov), 3-17 (Taylor, 6.5 ov), 4-35 (Chakabva , 13.3 ov), 5-62 (Waller , 19.1 ov), 6-142 (Taibu , 35.3 ov), 7-167 (Chigumbura , 39.1 ov), 8-231 (SW Masakadza , 49.5 ov)

New Zealand Bowling

	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Wides	No-Balls	S-Rate	Econ
Mills	8	1	27	2	-	-	24.00	3.38
Southee	10	0	50	1	4	-	60.00	5.00
Oram	10	1	29	3	2	-	20.00	2.90
Nethula	10	0	55	0	-	-	-	5.50
Nicol	4	0	25	1	-	-	24.00	6.25
Ellis	5	0	25	0	2	-	-	5.00
Williamson	3	0	16	1	-	-	18.00	5.33



ODI Scoreboard Waitangi Day 2012



Dunning ... a record that was stunning

IN 1961, THE VERY FIRST GAME PLAYED at Cobham Oval saw a Northland selection up against a MCC XI. Out to open the batting strode a man called Brian Dunning, slayer of many a formidable bowling line-up since his Northland debut in 1959. Opening the bowling for the MCC was a bloke called David Larter. Dunning took guard, shaped up, and played and missed. His off stump cartwheeled and Dunning headed back to the pavilion. (See page 15 for Bryan Young's similar experience).

No matter, Dunning went on to become a Northland cricketing legend, playing untold match-winning innings for the province in a career that spanned more than 20 years.

His first century was in 1961 at Cobham Oval when he scored 160 v Auckland. In 1987 he hit his last century for the province, 101. Again, it was versus Auckland.

Dunning amassed 18 centuries, and a total of 7164 runs during 159 appearances for Northland.

He passed away in 2008, and his name lives on with the recent unveiling of the Brian Dunning Memorial Archway next to the Bellahomes Players' Pavilion, in memory of the great sportsman.

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In 1987 he hit his last century for the province, 101.
Again, it was versus Auckland.

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Northlander Dion Nash — former BLACKCAP 5



DION NASH

32 Tests — 82 wickets
83 ODIs — 64 wickets
Top Test score — 82*
Top ODI score — 42
First person to take 30 wickets
and score 50 runs in a Test at Lords.

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Congratulations to
Northland cricket
on a well deserved
reward in the form of
this inaugural ODI
against Zimbabwe.
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I CANNOT BELIEVE I AM SAYING THIS but it's nearly 25 years since I played my first game of cricket on Cobham Oval as a pimply-faced school boy of 16 on debut for Northland.

What an honour it was to be sharing a dressing room with names like Brian Dunning, Barry Cooper, Craig Presland, Murray Child, Karl Treiber, Neil Carmen, Dennis Lloyd and Bryan Young.

For me it meant my education as a Northland cricketer had begun. Even now as I think back upon it I feel a sense of pride and achievement — things were happening for me, I was on my way.

Lots of things stand out ... the clay embankment — it was there I would retire to do sprints from top to bottom in an effort to punish myself after failing to score runs ... and the myth about bowling first if the tide was in because the high water level meant that it would seam around more.

And the people ... team mates, supporters, and coaches.

I remember the game we nearly beat the great Aucks, an Auckland senior side full of BLACKCAPS, past and present.

I want to say we actually beat them but I think bad light stopped play with them in all sorts of trouble and their pride barely intact.

I remember the dressing rooms, baby blue and the size of a postage stamp. It was where the team would bond over big bottles of DB or Lion Red, listening to stories of Dunno's heroics, famous matches against old foe, names and places, tournaments and Hawke Cup challenges — it was manna from heaven for a boy dreaming of a cricketing future.

I remember tough practices — both in the adjacent nets and on the main block. Lance Cairns teaching me how to play the short ball, Chris Cairns scaring the be-Jesus out of me — I simply couldn't believe anyone could bowl that fast.

Things have changed now of course. Lords look-alike pavilions, manicured outfield and space to burn have replaced the old ground.

I have to say to the Northland team that have created this beautiful new Cobham Oval — well done on building what I believe is one of only three true cricket grounds in the country — the Basin and Seddon Park being the others, and in so doing continuing the great tradition of Northland cricket in style.

In closing I want to say congratulations to Northland cricket on a well-deserved reward in the form of this inaugural ODI against Zimbabwe. Let's make sure it is the first of many.

I'm sure the weather will do its part, and I'm planning on being here today to see the BLACKCAPS give Zim a good thrashing in front of a sold out Cobham Oval. — **Dion Nash**



Northland Cricket Association Inc

Financial Report

Introduction

The key points of the financial statement are:

1. Net Cash Operating Surplus (before depreciation, interest and tax if any)
\$130,706 (2011 \$92,023)
2. An increase in hire of the facilities, bar sales and grants from last year.
3. First International ODI was a success and games against England are confirmed for 2013.
4. Continuation of coaching programme to schools, clubs and representative teams.
5. Projected surplus budget for 2012/2013 season before depreciation

Capital Expenditure

There was minimal capital expenditure in 2011/2012 and we continue to consolidate finances to maintain sufficient capital for future expenditure as required. There have been 12 Artificial pitches developed over a three year period.

Income

Operational Grant funding increased slightly over the financial year and we were more successful with our applications to Gaming Trusts for funding. Reduced income from Bar Sales, Catering Commission and Hire of facilities due to recessionary impact reduced income \$81,030 (2011 \$116,349) The board has recognised this trend in the 2012 budget.

Investments

The loan made to NDCA of \$150,000 was repaid in full this year.

Expenditure

Staff changes

Judy Burch and Tracey McKenzie both resigned from their positions in May 2012. The positions were restructured and Emma Johns is now the Administration Manager with overall responsibility for Facility Hire, day to day financials, funding applications and all administration functions. She is ably assisted by Mandy Powley. Administration hours have been reduced from 60 hours per week to 40 per week reducing wage expenses in this area. Spire Chartered Accountants now complete the monthly financial report to the Board and the annual accounts providing more comprehensive reporting. Stephen Cunis continues as Operations Manager. All coaching staff are now contracted as seasonal coaches or as casual staff.

This years financial statements include a provision for holiday pay of \$18733.

Overall expenditure reduced over the financial year from \$670,865(2011) to \$577,241 in (2012)

Long Term Liabilities

The WDC – Loan 2 (\$199,769 interest bearing 2011) was repaid in full. \$68,750 remains as an interest free loan which is being repaid over the next 5 years.

Summary

NCA continues in its consolidation phase with all major capital undertakings completed and an increase in Cash operating surplus (before depreciation and interest) of \$130,706 achieved (2011 \$92,023).

NCA staff are now busy planning for the two NZ XI vs England T20 matches in February. We hope to build on the fantastic efforts so far to continue to attract International games for the benefit of NCA and the Northland region.

The finance committee was reestablished this year and is working closely with Spire Accountants and the Administration Team to achieve continued financial improvements.



AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF NORTHLAND CRICKET ASSOCIATION INC:

We have audited the Financial Report of the Northland Cricket Association Inc for the 12 month period ended 31 July 2012. The Financial Report provides the information about the financial performance of the Northland Cricket Association Inc and its financial position as at 31 July 2012.

Management Responsibilities

The Management is responsible for the preparation of a Financial Report which fairly reflects the financial position of the organisation as at 31 July 2012, and the results of income and expenditure for the period ended on that date.

Auditor's Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the Financial Report presented by the Management Committee and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- The significant estimates and judgements made by the Management Committee in the preparation of the Financial Report, and
- Whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the organisation's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with New Zealand Auditing Standards. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with or interest in the Northland Cricket Association Inc.

Report on the Financial Statements for the Year

The Audit Report for the year is an unqualified one. Specifically we report that:

- We have obtained all the information and explanations that we have required.
- Proper and adequate Accounting Records have been maintained.
- In my opinion the Financial Statements show a true and fair view of the results for the period, and the financial position of the Northland Cricket Association Inc as at 31 July 2012.

Our Audit Report was completed on 9th November 2012, and our opinion is expressed as at that date.

PJ Moody
Moody's Chartered Accountants

Northland Cricket Association Inc
Statement of Financial Performance
For the Year Ended 31 July 2012

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Revenue		
Operating	298,562	368,618
Capital Grant Funding	22,416	42,835
Donations	1,500	21,296
Grants Received - COGS	5,000	4,000
Grants Received - NZC & NDCA	86,645	83,701
Grants Received - Other	282,879	224,396
Interest	11,870	18,042
Total Gross Income	<u>708,872</u>	<u>762,888</u>
Less Expenses		
Administration	355,520	249,242
Audit	2,206	2,204
Coaching	64,064	237,541
Donations	-	386
Interest - Term Loan	10,945	16,752
Operating	127,796	133,077
Representative Teams	16,710	31,663
Total Expenses	<u>577,241</u>	<u>670,865</u>
Depreciation	155,228	194,062
Total Expenses	732,469	864,927
Net Deficit For The Year	<u>(23,597)</u>	<u>(102,039)</u>

Statement of Movements in Equity
For The Year Ended 31 July 2012

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Opening Equity	3,105,538	3,207,577
Profits & Revaluations		
Net Deficit For The Year	(23,597)	(102,039)
Total Recognised Revenue & Expenses	<u>(23,597)</u>	<u>(102,039)</u>
Closing Equity	<u>(3,081,941)</u>	<u>(3,105,538)</u>

Northland Cricket Association Inc
Statement of Financial Position
As At 31 July 2012

	Note	\$	2012 \$	2011 \$
Equity				
Accumulated Funds	2	3,081,941		3,105,538
		<hr/>	3,081,941	<hr/>
Total Equity			<hr/>	<hr/>
			3,081,941	3,105,538
Equity Is Represented By:				
Current Assets				
ASB Bank		189,537		161,245
Cash on Hand		503		1,018
Accounts Receivable		14,608		23,278
Prepayments		3,280		194
Accrued Income		-		5,018
Northland Junior Cricket Incorporated		8,000		-
Stock on Hand		11,432		15,277
Total Current Assets		<hr/>		<hr/>
		227,360		206,030
Non-Current Assets				
Fixed Assets per Schedule	3	3,011,352		3,131,902
Investments per Schedule	4	-		150,000
Total Non-Current Assets		<hr/>		<hr/>
		3,011,352		3,281,902
Total Assets		<hr/>	3,238,712	<hr/>
			3,238,712	3,487,932
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable		14,346		17,528
Income Received in Advance		47,481		48,150
Other Creditors		40		30
Accrued Expenses		24,371		34,227
GST Payable		1,783		1,440
Current Portion Term Liabilities		12,500		52,809
Total Current Liabilities		<hr/>		<hr/>
		100,521		154,184
Non-Current Liabilities				
Bank Loans per Schedule	5	68,750		281,019
Less Current Portion of Term Liabilities		(12,500)		(52,809)
Total Non-Current Liabilities		<hr/>		<hr/>
		56,250		228,210
Total Liabilities		<hr/>	156,771	<hr/>
			156,771	382,394
Net Assets			<hr/>	<hr/>
			3,081,941	3,105,538

Signed by the following, who authorised for issue these Financial Statements on 14 November 2012.

Chairman  Date 14 November 2012

Chief Executive Officer  Date 14 November 2012

Northland Cricket Association INC

Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 July 2012

1. Statement of Accounting Policies

Reporting Entity

The financial statements presented here are for Northland Cricket Association Inc. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Constitution and Rules of the Association as well as generally accepted accounting practices.

The financial statements have been audited by Moodys Chartered Accountants. The audit was completed on 9 November 2012

Measurement Base

Unless otherwise stated the accounting principles recognised as appropriate for the measurement and reporting of earnings and financial position on an historical cost basis have been followed.

Specific Accounting Policies

The following specific accounting policies which materially affect the measurement of financial performance and financial position have been applied:

Accounts Receivable are stated at their estimated realisable value. Debts considered uncollectable are written off. There is no other provision for doubtful debts.

Stock on Hand has been valued at the lower cost or net realisable value on a first in, first out basis, after making due allowance for damaged and obsolete stock.

Accounts Payable and Accruals are stated at the estimated amount payable.

Cash and cash equivalents comprise deposits with banks and bank and cash balances, net of bank overdrafts. Deposits are included when they have a maturity of no more than three months from the acquisition date.

Depreciation has been calculated using the maximum rates permitted by the Income Tax Act 2007. The depreciation rates are used as follows;

Ground Improvements 3.6% CP - 25% DV

Buildings 2% CP - 24% DV

Plant & Equipment 3% CP - 80.4% DV

Office Equipment 10% - 80.4% DV

Bar & Kitchen Equipment 16% - 80.4% DV

Motor Vehicles 10.2% - 36% DV

Income Tax: Northland Cricket Association Inc qualifies for exemption from Income Tax in terms of Section CW46 of the Income Tax Act 2007, as a body promoting amateur games or sports.

Investments are stated at lower of cost or net realisable value.

Goods and Services Tax: The Financial Statements have been prepared on an exclusive basis with the exception that Accounts Receivable and Accounts Payable are stated GST inclusive. The GST figure in the Statement of Financial Position represents the GST asset at year end.

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Differential Reporting: The entity qualifies for differential reporting as it is not publicly accountable and is not large. The entity has therefore taken advantage of all applicable differential reporting exemptions except that the financial statements have been prepared exclusive of Goods & Services Tax.

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies which have been applied on bases consistent with those used in previous years.

2. Revenue Reserves

The following movements in Revenue Reserves have occurred:

Accumulated Funds

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Opening Balance	3,105,538	3,207,577
Net Deficit	(23,597)	(102,039)
Closing Balance	<u>3,081,941</u>	<u>3,105,538</u>

3. Fixed Assets

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Ground Improvements		
At Cost	291,774	266,078
Less Accumulated Depreciation	88,105	64,394
	<u>203,669</u>	<u>201,684</u>
Buildings		
At Cost	3,075,357	3,072,662
Less Accumulated Depreciation	496,712	406,950
	<u>2,578,645</u>	<u>2,665,712</u>
Plant & Equipment		
At Cost	377,677	374,867
Less Accumulated Depreciation	196,287	169,445
	<u>181,380</u>	<u>205,422</u>
Office Equipment		
At Cost	37,846	34,736
Less Accumulated Depreciation	31,883	29,684
	<u>5,963</u>	<u>5,052</u>

Bar & Kitchen Equipment		
At Cost	53,167	52,617
Less Accumulated Depreciation	37,462	33,928
	<u>15,705</u>	<u>18,689</u>
Motor Vehicles		
At Cost	122,501	122,501
Less Accumulated Depreciation	96,511	87,158
	<u>25,990</u>	<u>35,343</u>
Total Fixed Assets	<u>3,011,352</u>	<u>3,131,902</u>
Depreciation For The Year		
Ground Improvements	23,711	25,596
Buildings	89,762	88,690
Plant & Equipment	26,843	49,057
Office Equipment	2,199	2,866
Bar & Kitchen Equipment	3,360	4,039
Motor Vehicles	9,353	13,677
Total Depreciation for the Year	<u>155,228</u>	<u>183,925</u>
Investments	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Sundry Investments		
Loan to Northern Districts Cricket	-	150,000
Total Investments	<u>-</u>	<u>150,000</u>
Non Current Liabilities	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Bank Loans		
WDC Loan 1	68,750	81,250
WDC Loan 2	-	199,769
	<u>68,750</u>	<u>281,019</u>
Less Current Portion		
WDC Loan 1	12,500	12,500
WDC Loan 2	-	40,309
Total Non Current Bank Loans	<u>56,250</u>	<u>228,210</u>

Bank Loans are secured over all assets of the association.
WDC Loan 1 bears interest at a rate of 0% and is payable over a period of 6 years

Capital Commitments

There are no capital commitments at balance date (2011 \$Nil)

7. Related Parties

During the 2012 Financial Year Northland Cricket Association Inc made a loan of \$150,000 to Northern Districts Cricket of which it is a member. This was repaid in January 2012.

Northern Districts Cricket provided Northland Cricket Association Inc with a grant of \$79,436 (2011 \$60,795).

Community Organisation Grants Scheme (COGS) provided a grant of \$5,000 (2011 \$4,000)

Northland Cricket Association Inc has made a commitment to support Northland Junior Cricket Incorporated whereby any shortfall in revenue will be met by Northland Cricket Association Inc. This is reflected in the \$8000 advanced to Northland Junior Cricket Incorporated during the year under review (2011 \$Nil).

8. Contingent Liabilities

There are no contingent liabilities at balance date (2011 \$Nil).

9. Events Subsequent to Balance Date

There have been no significant events subsequent to balance date (2011 \$Nil).

10. Auditors

Northland Cricket Association Inc Auditors were Moodys Chartered Accountants. Audit fees payable were \$2,206 (2011 \$2,204). Moodys Chartered Accountants are willing to continue as the Association's auditors in the ensuing year.

Annual Awards Photos



Barry Cooper presenting
Tim Southee the award for
Northland Cricketer of the Year



Judy Cowan presenting the
Graham Cowan Trophy
for contribution to umpiring
to Ross Kneebone



Brad Wilson presenting the
Robertson Shield to Whangarei
Boys High School's Ben Smith



Brett Robinson presenting Kevin
Forde (Kaipara Flats) with the
HRV Twenty20 trophy

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