



President's Message

Welcome back to cricket at St Paul's in 2019. What a ripping start to the season we have had.

We may have to rename the Intermediate 1sts the "Fire" if they keep playing cricket like this. A special mention to Dylan – not satisfied with a Michelle against West MAC he came out against Canterbury and took a 7 for – I wonder what that is called? The Year 4's also had a blazing start to the season with Patrick taking 6 wickets!

Good luck to all teams this Saturday and may the fine weather and good cricket continue for the rest of the season.

Upcoming Matches

On Saturday February 23 most teams take on JPC – arguably the best TAS cricket school over the last five years. Some tough matches ahead should bring out the best St Paul's cricket has to offer.

Go the Red!

Meeting

Our second CSG meeting for 2019 is on **Wednesday 6 March 2019 at 7pm** in the Library. All are welcome.



Annual Cricket Dinner

Kedron Wavell RSL is again the venue for our **Annual Cricket Dinner** on **Saturday 30 March 2019**. All players receive a trophy on the night and our new band "The Element" are sounding good. Please save this date in your diary and we will advise when Flexi-schools is open for business.

Some Match Reports and Photos follow:

First XI v Wanderers on 30 January

The annual cricket game between St Paul's and the Wanderers (a group of grade/warehouse cricketers who come together on Wednesdays to play schools under the Lord Taverners banner) was played on January 30.

The Wanderers always bat first due to late arrivals and put on 230 runs after 40 overs. This was a good bowling effort by St Paul's as the corresponding match two years ago yielded almost 400 runs for the Wanderers.

St Paul's batted steadily and finished 5 for 130 with the highlight being a 53 opening wicket stand by the Barry/Milner combination. Let's hope it's the first of many good batting partnerships over the season. Player of the match went to Ben Skinner for his top pace bowling.



First XI v West MAC on 2 February

West MAC were the top cricket school in TAS last season and they did not disappoint in this game.

We won the toss and elected to bowl. At 3 for 21 and their best bat brilliantly run out this looked like a good decision. Unfortunately, batsman 4 batted well and 5 & 6 hit their highest career scores. West MAC finished on 7 for 200 after 50 overs and in a good position.

After lunch we began the run chase. Good line and length bowling by West MAC and a steady fall of wickets meant the total was out of our reach. We were all out for 79 with three batsmen reaching double figures.

Sam Deacon



First XI v Canterbury on 9 February

We found our bowling mojo after winning the toss and electing to bowl on a moist but fair St Paul's Main Oval wicket. Opening pace bowlers Ben & Lachie were outstanding and produced match figures of 20 overs 5 for 21 between them. I helped tighten the middle with a spell of 10 overs 2 for 17. Zane finished off the tail with 2 for 11 and Canterbury were all out for 108. The fielding highlight was JP throwing down the stumps from 30 meters to affect a run out.

Our batting mojo has been much harder to find this season with only two decent partnerships and four batsmen making double figures in this game. (Lachie B, myself, Lachie D & Ben) At 4 for 78 the game was in hand but a batting collapse soon after left us all out for 101 and seven runs short.

The stats for this game can be found at:

<http://mycricket.cricknet.com.au/common/pages/public/rv/match.aspx?matchID=3117928&entityID=16575>

With the bye this coming weekend we next play JPC on February 23 knowing our bowling is looking good, our fielding is getting better and our batting needs improving.

Sam Deacon



Intermediate 1sts v West MAC on 2 February

We have had a rather tough first game on paper as we were playing West MAC. St Paul's won the toss and we chose to bat.

Our openers started slowly being very cautious and assessing the pitch. Before one started to get a bit aggressive and after hitting a four he was bowled the next ball trying to play a rash shot. We then had slight tumble of wickets bringing Logan to the crease to pair with Eric. They put up a nice partnership until Eric got out. Harry then went in and blasted a quickfire 21 before being dismissed. After Harry the rest of the wickets fell for not many runs. St Paul's finishing all out for 126 from 27 overs.

As we took the field we knew that the score was very defendable, but we needed to bowl well. As Dylan took the new ball we could feel something brewing and at the end of the first over West MAC were 3/0 with Dylan on a hattrick for the next over.

As the game went on the batting got more aggressive from West MAC as that was there only hope. As we put Dylan on for his final spell to wrap up the tail they were needing no more than thirty. As he finished his overs without breaking the partnership Dylan's figures were 5/16.

After the drinks break we decided to change it up and bowl some spin with Logan coming into the attack to a batsman that had carried the West MAC innings on his shoulders, Logan bowled a bit of a loose delivery but it was enough to draw the batsman into a mis queued shot and Jake took a great catch on the boundary to finish the job. From that we needed just one wicket and it didn't take long for it to fall with West MAC being bowled out for 106. This was the first time in three years that the Intermediate 1st team has beaten West MAC.

Alex Simpson

Intermediate 1sts v Canterbury on 9 February

We were very confident going into the second game of the season after the great win over West MAC. We had changed a few tactics to try and bat longer and put together a better innings. With the toss being completed Canterbury won the toss and chose to bowl.

Eric and Gowtham went out to bat and the first over was very loose from Canterbury with 15 runs coming from it with most of them being extras. Gowtham and Eric put together a nice partnership of 30 odd before Eric got out to a dubious LBW call. As Alex came to the crease his job was to play very aggressively putting the bowlers on the back foot and it didn't take him long to get going. He and Gowtham batted very well making it to the drinks break.

After the drinks break Alex charged a spinner and got stumped. Dylan then combined with Gowtham batting until the end of the innings that was unfortunately cut short due to being overtime. At that point Gowtham was on 93 and felt very robbed of his century. There was a little bit of spice in the game due to the overtime call so Dylan was fired up.

It didn't take long before they were 3 down as it was the end of the first over yet again. Tom then bowled very tightly from the other end. Dylan was stuffed as he was putting in a lot of effort bowling and by this time his figures were 7/7. Tom had taken two wickets for himself by the end of his four overs. Meaning that they were 9 wickets down, Nathan then came on and it wasn't long before the Canterbury innings was over Nathan taking the final wicket.

This meant that the game was finished just nine overs into the second innings with Canterbury only managing 21 runs. This has been a very good start to the season.

Alex Simpson

Intermediate 3rds v Canterbury on 9 February

The Intermediate Third XI lost by 10 runs to Canterbury College this afternoon. Canterbury were all out in the twentieth over for 57, whilst St Paul's accumulated 46 runs all out before the fifteenth over. Our man of the match was Kasey Camilleri, who not only took an incredible catch, but finished the game with two wickets and was the only not out batsmen.

Year 6 v Canterbury on 9 February

SCORE: SPS – 3 for 90 CANTERBURY – 8 for 47

The Year 6 team had their first game of the season at home against Canterbury on Saturday 9th Feb led by captain Fraser Johnson. After game delays and field changes the boys lost the toss and were sent into bat in the first innings. Smashing the ball past the boundary, Angus Toovey, Jahaan Rajapakse, Matthew Elliott, Riley Jensen and Eddie Bird secured their first 4s for the season. With some solid running between wickets St Paul's pushed their total runs to 90, losing only 3 wickets.

In the second innings, the team were out in the heat but managed to keep Canterbury from increasing their run total. Some accurate bowling by Matthew Linton, Ben Holden and Aayan Kerin led to great catches by Angus Toovey. Tireless fielding by Oliver Reeves led to 3 run outs which secured St Paul's their victory against Canterbury. Maiden overs by Riley Jensen, Jahaan Rajapakse and Harrison Pascoe.



Year 5 v Canterbury on 9 February

On a muggy Saturday morning, almost before sunrise, at around 7:25 am, St Paul's Year 5 Captain (for the week) Lucas won the toss and elected to field. As the umpire stewed in centre wicket heat, the Canterbury opening batters (still tired from driving overnight to get to Bald Hills) fell quickly to an all-out Year 5 pace onslaught. Consistently accurate and deadly bowling and fielding wrapped-up the opposition's total to an easily attainable 67 runs. An outstanding effort from all with special mention to Year 3 Ayaan C: 1/1 off 1, his brother, Aryan: 2/13 off 3, and Manav: 2/5 off 2.

Our opening St Paul's batters, Chelsea and Ikshan, set the scene with a healthy 20 runs from 24 balls, then the next pair Lucas M-S and Ryan M came in with all guns blazing. They knocked up a quick 27 from the 24 allocated balls.

Solid batting resulted in a great score of 3/117 and a jubilant win for our highly-energetic and cricket-loving boys and girls. Special thanks to Alex Simpson who is our Assistant Coach (and umpire-in-training) and Lachlan M-S who mastered the art of the scorebook after his first attempt at 12 years of age (while his father has given up the score book and returned to coaching). Ryan M was our well-deserving Player of the Match and will captain next week.

Our training is leading to a fantastic camaraderie and improvement in skills and hopefully a great season for all students and parents. Lots of fun!

Year 4 Red v Redeemer on 9 February

Last Saturday saw the first official match for many of our Junior School students in JTAS fixtures. This season we have 2 year 4 teams, Red and Green. The Red Team played Redeemer at school, winning the toss and sending the opposition in to bat, taking advantage of the cooler conditions.

Redeemer achieved a total of 63 runs but St Paul's bowling was sensational as we managed to take 14 wickets, with Patrick Hughes taking 6, Ryder McCarthy taking 4 and Evie Bouma and Poppy Andrews taking their first wicket in their first ever match and Jenson Bartlett and Yasith De Alwis also taking a wicket each. Poppy did a great job behind the wicket, as did Hudson Heathcote.

When it came to St Paul's turn to bat, the batters protected their wicket well and hit some great shots, which meant we only lost 6 wickets and made a total of 117 runs. Patrick Hughes top scored with 39 while in their first match Jake McDonald made 10 runs and Charlize Heathcote made 6.

It was a wonderful start to the season and all of the spectators were buoyed to see the strong comradery between the team members from the moment the coin was tossed. Having some experienced players as well as brand new players in the team is creating a wonderful environment where each player is encouraged, cheered and a supportive team spirit is already growing. The fact that it is a mixed team embodies the wonderful opportunity we have to show the strengths the boys and girls have.



Year 4 Green v Canterbury on 9 February

Year 4 Green had their first match last Saturday against Canterbury College. Canterbury made 6 for 102. Sarvesh took two wickets, and the boys combined well to take two run outs. Abaan bowled fast and straight, also taking a wicket only giving up one run achieving 1 for 1.

There was very accurate bowling also from Bay who achieved 0 for 3 from 3 overs. Then it was St Paul's turn to bat and with Abaan scoring 23 including five boundaries and Bay made 17. In total St Paul's finished the match at 4 for 116.

Great work from the Green team in their first JTAS match.

BNJCA Under 11 Girls v Valleys on 2 February

It was wonderful to see all the girls have such a great first game on Saturday and it was awesome to have a win! Thanks to Zane and Chelsea for playing for us on the weekend - good luck for your JTAS season. We also welcome Jemma Jones to our team. She showed amazing skills in her first game at cricket. Thanks again to Phil, our coach. You do an amazing job coaching the girls and fostering a love of cricket.

BNJCA Under 11 Girls v Albany Creek on 9 February

We were back at our old stomping ground, Kalinga Park, for the second round of the BNJCA Girls Season. Even though we lost the game, it was great to play against our neighbours, Albany Creek. Jemma topped the run scoring after making her first four and going on to score 19 runs. Emma also batted well, making 13 runs from a combination of 1s and 2s. All the players scored over ten runs and it was great to see the girls looking for opportunities to run between the wickets. Indi's bowling was accurate and she kept Albany Creek from scoring too many runs. A brilliant catch in the field was taken by Charlotte to give Jemma her second wicket of the game. Zara's bowling was particularly impressive this week - almost all her balls were a good length and aimed squarely at the wicket and as a result there were a lot of dot balls when she bowled. Despite the loss - it was a great game on Saturday. The girls continue to grow in confidence and skill!



England Cricket Tour 2018

To whet the appetite of those players going on the St Paul's England Cricket Tour in June/July 2021 we will recap the eight games played from the 2018 tour over the season:

Game 6 – 40 overs against the Queen Elizabeth School

Having played a T20 against QES the day before the boys arrived back at school fresh for a 40 over aside game.

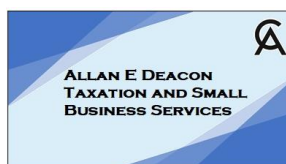
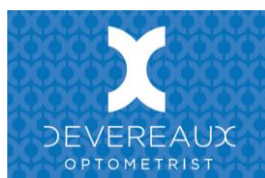
The weather was superb and St Paul's won the toss and elected to bat. Good decision as the boys piled on the runs and finished on 6 for 206. Ben top scored with 62 and was well supported by Sam on 53.

Trishul with 3 for 11 and Zane with 3 for 18 were on fire with the ball and QES never really recovered from their spells. QES were all out for 107 in the 24th over and the team got an early start to the next leg of the tour down to Leeds.

We will all have fond memories of Kirby Lonsdale. The scenery was fantastic and the hospitality was great. It is a shame that the cost of touring has meant that QES cannot afford now to come out for a visit later this year.



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