



CRICKETERS' CLUB *of* NEW SOUTH WALES



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CRICKETERS' CLUB OF NEW SOUTH WALES INC. **UK TOUR CRICKET REPORT AND RESULTS 2017**

The Club has just concluded its latest tour of the UK. This was the fifth such tour in the last twenty years which is a remarkable achievement and a great testament to the character and energy of our club.

Firstly, I would like to thank David Byrnes and Nathan Reay for their tireless efforts in organising the tour and arranging fixtures. This is often a thankless task and both David and Nathan should be congratulated by all club members for their work. A lot of the work is done well before a tour commences and is not seen by many but I can assure that a well-run tour needs all this preparation.

On the field we had considerable success, winning 7 games, losing 4 and seeing 2 matches lost to rain. The reports below detail the matches as they unfolded and I thank the writers for their contributions.

Our first leg in Scotland was a great success playing four T20 matches on four consecutive days mostly in glorious Scottish sunshine. I still marvel at playing cricket at 9pm without artificial light!

The second leg centred on Stratford-on-Avon and the Midlands and was a wonderful experience against strong and mostly younger opponents. Nathan's home club got the better of us in a final over classic and despite being comfortably beaten by Kenilworth Wardens, we returned to Bourton Vale for a win and reminisced over our 1997 visit.

For the third leg, we enjoyed all that Bath had to offer and played good cricket against formidable opponents in Cirencester (Tony Wood's home club) and Malmsbury while rain prevented our game against Hinton Charterhouse.

Our return to West End Esher saw a good win against our old friends whom we have played on the last three visits to London. The final game at the illustrious Hurlingham Club was a fitting finale to the tour and Nathan's efforts to secure a game at this remarkable venue in Fulham must be acknowledged and our thanks to all involved.

Finally thank you to all the players for their contributions both on and off the field. While not all players were able to participate from the start to the finish we managed to combine well. Some players played more than others and with two washouts it was difficult to balance the ledger. On a brighter note, we had three young players, Matthew McCallum, Will Blair (Jnr) and Oliver Wood, who all added a wonderful energy and enthusiasm to the squad. I personally hope they tour with the Club for years to come. They are indeed the future. To the partners thank you for your understanding of our crazy cricket addiction! I would also like to single out Ian Wright for his wonderful contribution in scoring all but one of our matches. This helped everyone and certainly was well appreciated by all.

As a club, we face some challenges with an ageing squad for both domestic and touring teams. We need to continue to promote the wonderful tours we have developed and encourage younger players to join them. We may need to review our approach to touring as 23 day tours will not suit some players with young families and limited annual leave. Ian Neil announced his retirement from the game on the tour. Ian, thank you for all your contributions and I am glad you will remain on the Club's management committee. Personally, this was my last tour of England as a player and I am grateful for all the opportunities the Club has presented to me. I look forward to seeing other club members take over the organisation of such tours in the future and continue the Club's proud tradition.

Regards,

Greg Brooks

President.

UK TOUR 2017 RESULTS

Played: 11; Won: 7; Lost: 4; Drawn: 0; Cancelled (Rain): 2

(2013 Tour Played: 15; Won: 9; Lost: 6; Drawn: 0; Tied 0; Cancelled: 1 (rain))

No	Date	Opposition		Team batting first	Team batting second
1	17.07.17	Edinburgh Uni. Staff T20	W	C.C.N.S.W. 8-130	Edinburgh Uni Staff 6-101
2	18.07.17	Heriots C.C. T20	L	Heriots C.C. 5-115	C.C.N.S.W. 10-82
3	19.07.17	Grange C.C. T20	W	C.C.N.S.W. 3-149	Grange C.C. 8-148
4	20.07.17	Carlton C.C. T20	W	Carlton C.C. 2-141	C.C.N.S.W. 5-144
5	23.07.17	Stratford-on-Avon C.C.	L	C.C.N.S.W. 10-183	Stratford-on-Avon C.C. 9-184
6	24.07.17	Bourton Vale C.C.	W	C.C.N.S.W. 8-201	Bourton Vale C.C. 10-148
7	26.07.17	Warwickshire Imps C.C.	C	Rain	-
8	26.07.17	Kenilworth Wardens C.C.	L	C.C.N.S.W. 8-267	Kenilworth Wardens 6-272
9	30.07.17	Cirencester C.C.	L	C.C.N.S.W. 9-162	Cirencester C.C. 2-163
10	01.08.17	Malmesbury C.C.	W	C.C.N.S.W. 6-211	Malmesbury C.C. 9-127
11	02.08.17	Hinton Charterhouse C.C.	C	Rain	-
12	03.08.17	West End Esher C.C.	W	C.C.N.S.W. 8-198	West End Esher C.C. 10-127
13	04.08.17	Hurlingham C.C.	W	C.C.N.S.W. 6-304	Hurlingham C.C. 10-152

C.C.N.S.W. NOTABLE PERFORMANCES UK TOUR 2017

(in brackets are 2013 tour figures for comparison)*

Most Appearances: Rob Bevilacqua and William Blair (Jnr) with 8 (* Scott McCallum 14)

Most Runs: Damien Langley 268 runs @ 89.33(* Tom Robertson 348 runs @ 49.71)

Most wickets David Byrnes 13 wickets @ 13.54 (* Nick Saady 22 wickets @12.28 and Scott McCallum 22 wickets @ 14.19)

Best Batting average: (min 5 innings): Damien Langley 89.33 (268 runs) (* Tom Robertson 49.71 (348 runs))

Best Bowling average (min 8 wickets): Antony Wood 10.13 (8 wickets) (* 12.28 by Nick Saady (22 wickets))

Highest score: 110* by Damien Langley v Hurlingham Club (*113* by David Stingl v Devon over 50s)

Best bowling: 5-11 by Antony Wood v Bourton Vale C.C. (* 5-20 by Scott McCallum v Ventnor C.C.)

Most catches (fielder): William Blair (Snr) and Antony Wood with 3 (* Nick Saady 7)

Most catches (keeper): Matthew McCallum 3 (* Steve Kish 9)

Most Stumpings: 2 by Steve Kish (* Steve Kish and Matt Gale with one each)

Centuries: (1) Damien Langley 110* v Hurlingham Club

Fifties: (2) Damien Langley 80* v Stratford on Avon C.C.

58* v West end Esher C.C.

(1) Rob Bevilacqua 74 v Kenilworth Wardens

William Blair (Snr) 65 v Kenilworth Wardens

William Blair (Jnr) 65 v Hurlingham Club.

5 wickets in an innings:

- Antony Wood 5-11 v Bourton Vale C.C.

4 wickets in an innings:

None