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Tips to keeping your drinking low risk:

- Try alcohol free days
- Switch to low or no alcohol alternatives
- Avoid stocking up on alcohol

Reduce your drinking to reduce your risks.

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The Western Australian Cricket Association, acknowledges the Whadjuk people of the Nyoongar Nation as the Traditional Custodians of this country and its waters and that the WACA Ground stands on Nyoongar Country. We pay our respects to Nyoongar Elders both past and present.







As the global pandemic continued to create uncertainty, the WACA embarked on one of the most unique and challenging seasons in our organisation's proud 136-year history.

The word 'unprecedented' has suddenly become a vastly overused word, but I have no other way to succinctly describe the 2020-21 season other than just that.

The ongoing impact of the global COVID-19 pandemic has hit everyone hard, including the sports and entertainment industries.

While strong governance and astute financial resourcing had the WACA well placed to re-model finances and restructure internally, difficult decisions needed to be made in the wake of falls in revenue across cricket in Australia.

As a sport we became even more agile, flexible, and responsive, often planning for outcomes that didn't eventuate, and reacting swiftly to circumstances that couldn't be foreseen.

We could not have managed the season we did without the tireless efforts of our staff and players who made incredible sacrifices to ensure the summer went ahead.

Across the Sheffield Shield, WBBL and BBL, players and staff spent much of their summer living away from family under strict CA biosecurity protocols, which understandably brought inherent challenges of its own.

Our staff were also forced to remain agile amidst multiple fixture changes, which led to countless extra hours and efforts to ensure WA remained prepared to host as much cricket as possible.

Thank you to the entire WACA staff for the resilience, compassion, and dedication you showed as our organisation tackled complex and ever-changing uncertainties.

As a State, we lost a huge amount of our cricket content, including all international cricket and a substantial amount of the domestic season, which was bitterly disappointing.

As on organisation we did absolutely everything we possibly could to secure as much live cricket as possible for our Members during the summer, as they always remained our main priority.

In collaboration with Cricket Australia and our State Government, the WACA undertook a tremendous amount of work to determine what was and wasn't possible in the challenging climate of the hard border closures that were in place.

The understanding of our Members throughout an incredibly challenging season highlighted the love and passion West Australians have for cricket and inspired our steadfast pursuit of securing as much cricket as possible.

I want to thank every WACA Member for your ongoing support and patience during these uncertain times.

Your membership plays such a fundamental role in the development of cricket in WA from the grassroots through to the elite level and your incredible support drives the longevity of the game we all love.

#### WESTERN AUSTRALIAN CRICKET STRATEGY 2020-2022 REFRESH

#### We will:

- Enhance Member and fan experiences by creating opportunities to connect through year-round engagement and memorable match-days.
- Work side-by-side with our volunteers to create quality cricket experiences to increase the number of juniors playing and staying in our game and support their transition into senior competitions and programs.
- Deliver the leading High Performance system in Australian Cricket.
- Deliver the WACA Ground Improvement Project with an ongoing sustainable business model.
- Lead Australian Cricket as the sport for women and girls and all diversity group:
- Share the stories that inspire a broade community passion for cricket.
- Cement Murdoch University as the third tier of the WACA's elite three grounds framework to deliver a sustainable business model on and of the field.

The contribution from our cricket-starved Members at the height of the pandemic during the season was heart-warming and a true testament to their values.

Despite a disrupted year, we achieved some major milestones.

We were thrilled to receive the news in August 2020 that the State Government had committed to funding \$30 million towards the WACA Ground Improvement Project (WGIP), in addition to the \$30 million committed by the Federal Government in December 2019.

The WACA remains committed to raising a further \$11 million towards the Project through the WA Cricket Foundation, in addition to the \$4 million funding commitment from Cricket Australia.

The WA Cricket Foundation has undergone substantial growth and development in the past 12 months as the philanthropic arm of the WACA.

Thanks to the generosity of donors, the Foundation continues to enrich, support and inspire the wider WA cricket community and will play a vital role supporting the WGIP and ensuring cricket remains a 'Sport for All'.

As our players embarked on a season of hub-based competitions, brilliant on-field performances were seen in all formats.

The recruitment of Beth Mooney and Sophie Devine to the Scorchers paid off in spades as the pair starred at the top of the order and were selected alongside Taneale Peschel in the official Team of the Tournament.

Sophie was named the Player of the Tournament and Beth led the competition in run scoring, both remarkable efforts given the circumstances of the season.

Despite falling short of a maiden WBBL title, the team produced some scintillating performances and were comfortably the most-watched women's sport team in WA.

In the BBL the Scorchers bounced back after a disappointing BBL|09, roaring into the Final of this year's competition after a tough start.

Kiwi Colin Munro's first season in orange was rewarded with selection in the BBL Team of the Tournament alongside teammate Jhye Richardson, who was named the Golden Arm as the competition's leading wicket taker.

West Australian's came out in force to support our boys, with over 100,000 attending across our four BBL home matches and one neutral game in just nine days, making Optus Stadium the highest attended venue in the League.

In a player-led initiative, our Club proudly opted to wear the magnificent Indigenous strip for all games as it gave players a greater connection to country, and no doubt inspired the feats on the field.

The success continued in state cricket, as the WA Men earned the right to play for back-to-back Marsh One-Day Cup titles, alongside an impressive Sheffield Shield campaign.

At the end of the season, we announced a three-year contract extension for WA Men's and Perth Scorchers head coach Adam Voges, tying him to the organisation through until the end of the 2023-24 season.

Adam's commitment to the WACA has spanned across two decades and he exemplifies the values of our organisation, we firmly believe he is the best person to lead our men's teams forward.

While the WA Women endured a difficult Women's National Championship League (WNCL) season that included multiple fixture changes, they finished on a high with two wins against Victoria.

After cancelling the previous year's event due to COVID-19, we were grateful to come together in celebration at the end of the season for the Laurie Sawle Medal evening.

Nicole Bolton solidified herself as one of the finest cricketing talents WA has produced, winning a record-extending fifth Zoë Goss Medal.

Cam Green won his first Laurie Sawle Medal for what was truly a remarkable summer, I'm certain we'll see plenty more of him in national colours as his career progresses.

While significant amounts of the domestic season were played interstate, the WACA Ground opened its doors to Premier Cricket, with fixtures scheduled for most weekends of the summer.

The community feel to the matchdays gave an incredible taste of what the Ground has the potential to be to the people of Perth at the conclusion of the WGIP.

It was another strong season for Community Cricket, who fought restrictions and resourcing challenges to ensure the growth at grassroots level from previous years was sustained.

WA led the country in the number of women and girls signing up to play cricket, with a growth of 13% in registered female participants this year. There was also a significant 28% increase in girls playing Woolworths Cricket Blast and Junior Club Cricket.

There's been a focus on growing diversity in cricket and engaging with partners to further develop our ties with these communities.

The growth this year has been exceptional and wouldn't be possible without the help of our partners in this space including Healthway, Autism WA, Inclusion Solutions, and the Insurance Commission of WA.

We would also like to thank all our Perth Scorchers Partners, led by our Principal Partner in reiwa.com, who continued to support us throughout the ever-changing WBBL and BBL season and trust in our ability to deliver at the highest level.

We were thrilled to learn that four Western Australian community cricket clubs received top honours at Cricket Australia's 2020-21 National Community Cricket Awards for their outstanding achievements in their local communities.

Leschanault Cricket Club from WA's South-West was announced the Community Cricket Club of the Year, an exceptional effort and just reward for all involved.

Congratulations also to the Kingsley Woodvale Junior Cricket Club, the Bateman Junior Cricket Club and Bouncer Indoor Sports, who were all winners in their nominated categories.

We wish to thank the Association's staff, players, volunteers for their tireless enthusiasm and hard work, especially during unprecedented times.

Our Members displayed immense loyalty and support over the course of our most challenging season to date and we thank you for your unwavering support of cricket in this State.

As we prepare for both the exciting developments and unknown challenges of 2021-22 summer, we do so under the tremendous leadership of the WACA Board and thank them for their ongoing support and guidance as we continue to build the future of WA Cricket.

Hon. Tuck Waldron | Chair
Christina Matthews | Chief Executive Officer



#### Western Australian Cricket Association Limited

#### BOARD & MANAGEMENT as at 30 June 2021

#### **BOARD**

#### Chair

The Hon TK (Terrance) Waldron

#### **Deputy Chair**

Dr VA (Vanessa) Guthrie AO (to 1 November 2020) Ms ED (Eva) Skira AM (from 1 November 2020)

#### **Member Elected Directors**

Mr TF (Thomas) Percy QC, Mr MR (Michael) Veletta, Mr DJ (Darren) Wates (to 23 September 2020),

Mr GM (Graeme) Wood, Ms N (Nicola) Brandon (from 23 September 2020) and The Hon TK (Terrance) Waldron

#### **Cricket Appointed Directors**

Mr CK (Christian) Bauer and Ms AJ (Avril) Fahey

#### **Board Appointed Directors**

Mr DJ (David) Bailey, Ms ED (Eva) Skira AM, Dr V (Vanessa) Guthrie AO (to 1 November 2020) and The Hon KG (Kerry) Sanderson AC CVO (from 2 March 2021)

#### **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Mr RI (Richard) Marshall

#### COMMITTEES

- Nominations, Remuneration & Governance Committee
- Audit and Risk Committee
- WACA Ground Improvement Project (WGIP) Steering Committee (Formerly WACA Project Control Group (PCG)
- Statewide Game Development Committee
- Cricket Committee

#### Register of WACA Board Members attendance at Board meetings (13 meetings held)

The Hon TK (Terrance) Waldron (Chair)	13
Ms ED (Eva) Skira AM (Deputy Chair)	13
Dr VA (Vanessa) Guthrie AO (Deputy Chair)	5/5
Mr TF (Thomas) Percy QC	10
Mr MR (Michael) Veletta	12
Ms N (Nicola) Brandon	9/10
Mr GM (Graeme) Wood	13
Mr DJ (David) Bailey	11
The Hon KG (Kerry) Sanderson AC CVO	3/4
Ms AJ (Avril) Fahey	13
Mr CK (Christian) Bauer	13
Mr DJ (Darren) Wates	3/3

#### MANAGEMENT TEAM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Ms C (Christina) Matthews

#### **GENERAL MANAGERS**

#### Finance & Business Services

Mr JCK (Justin) Michael

#### Commercial, Marketing & Communications

Mr SV (Shay) Nasta

#### **Community Cricket**

Ms JS (Jo) Davies

#### **High Performance**

Mr KM (Kade) Harvey

#### People & Culture

Ms CL (Carla) Brayn

#### **Operations & Facilities**

Mrs JS (Joanna) Coubrough

#### Public Policy & Government **Relations Manager**

Ms K (Kate) Mort (to 20 April 2021)

#### **Executive Operations WA**

Ms E (Emma) Ramage (from 3 May 2021)

#### **AFFILIATES**

Organisations that administer cricket in WA and are affiliated with the WACA:

- CricketWest (Inc.)
- Indoor Sports WA (Inc.)
- WA Country Cricket Board (Inc.)
- WA District Cricket Council (Inc.)
- WA Female Cricket Council (Inc.)
- WA Community Junior Cricket Council (Inc.)
- WA Veterans Cricket (Inc.)

#### **ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

- WA Education Advisory Committee
- WA Aboriginal Cricket Advisory Committee

#### **AUDITOR**

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

#### **CRICKET AUSTRALIA**

Cricket Australia is the peak decision-making entity for cricket in Australia. The WACA receives funding from the activities of cricket in Australia as part of its role in Australian cricket.





















Chair



#### Deputy Chair





Ms ED (Eva) Skira AM

Member Elected Directors









Cricket Appointed Directors





Board Appointed Directors







(from 2 Mar 2021)

Company Secretary



#### Honour Board

#### **PRESIDENTS**

1885-86 - 1898-99	JCH James	1917-18 - 1923-24	J Gardiner	1980-81 - 1989-90	BF Prindiville AO CMG
1899-1900	RH Kelsey	1924-25 - 1937-38	TP Draper	1990-91 - 1996-97	TJ Perrott AM Cit WA
1900-01	SH Parker	1938-39	SHD Rowe	1996-97 - 2003-04	PB Rakich AM
1901-02 - 1905-06	WJ Kingsmill	1939-40 - 1950-51	GW Miles	2004-05 - 2014-15	DK Lillee AM MBE
1906-07 - 1914-15	J Gardiner	1951-52 - 1962-63	LW Jackson KCMG	2014-15 - July 2018	Hon Dr KC Michael AC
1915-16 - 1916-17	WJ Farley	1963-64 - 1979-80	CR Bunning CBE		

#### CHAIRS OF WACA EXECUTIVE / BOARD

The Executive was so named from 1907. Prior to this a 'WACA Committee' was essentially the Executive, but in the period 1890 to 1907 the Trustees of the Association played the major role in ground management. The Chairman of the Executive was also Chairman of the International Committee from its inauguration in 1922 until February 1990. Mr LM Sawle became its first separate Chairman in 1990, with Mr PB Rakich continuing as Chairman of the Executive. From 2004 the Executive is referred to as the Board.

G Parker	1906-11	K Bolton	1939-46	SHD Rowe	1997-2004	CAC Fear
RH Kelsey	1911-17	WJ Farley	1946-58	AC Randell	2004-13	DJ Williams
EA Randell	1918-23	K Bolton	1958-80	FJ Bryant	2013-15	JB Gannon OAM
FD North	1923-31	FA Barnard	1980-88	HWH Rigg	2015-16	Dr LJ Henderson
K Bolton	1931-38	SHD Rowe	1988-89	LM Sawle	2016-19	Hon Dr KC Michael AC
AG Russell	1938-39	AH Christian	1989-97	PB Rakich AM	2019	Hon TK Waldron
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#### CHIEF EXECUTIVES / GENERAL MANAGERS

Until 1980, the Association Secretary was the highest ranked administrator of the WACA. That position deferred to the appointment of a General Manager which in turn was elevated to the title of Chief Executive in 1986.

1979-80 - 1985-86	WJ Rogers	1992 - 1997	CL Smith	2004 - 2007	AIC Dodemaide
1986 - 1989	TS Ivankovich	1998 - 2001	MN Allenby	2007 - 2012	GM Wood
1990 - 1992	DE Hoare	2001 - 2004	Mrs K White	2012	Ms C Matthews

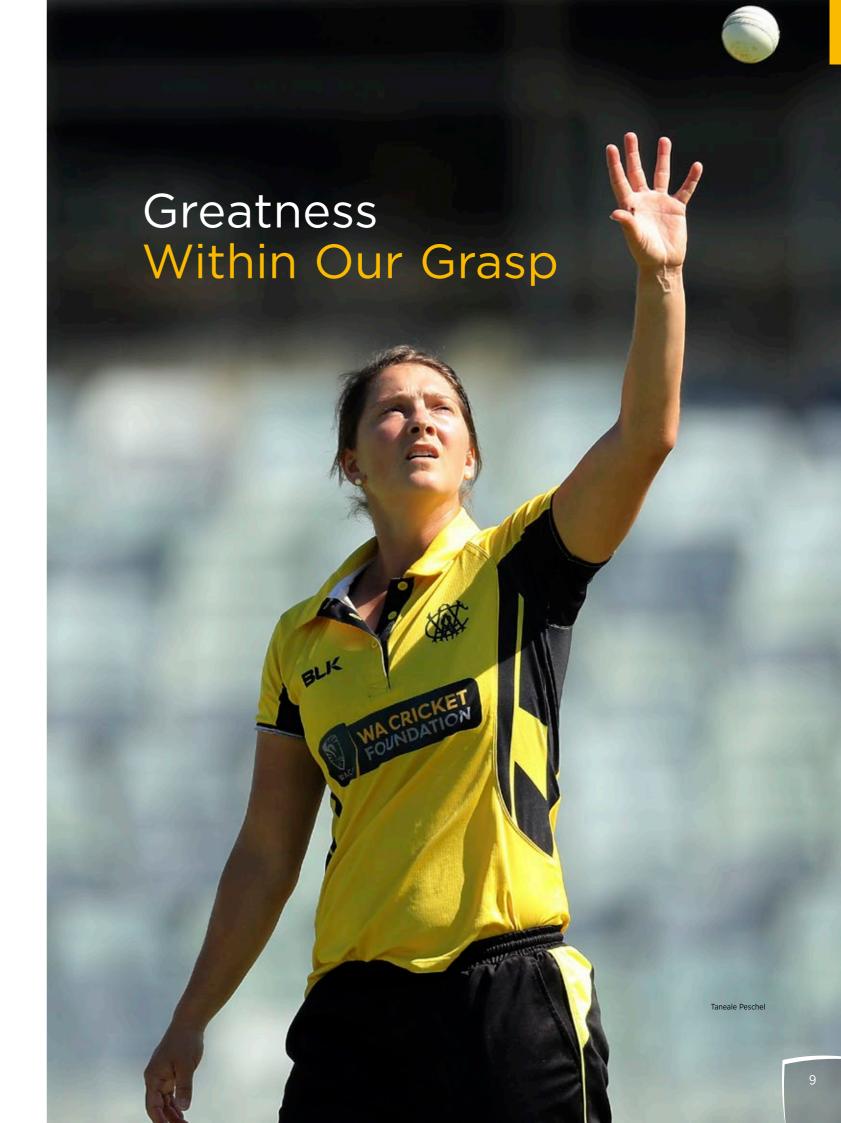
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#### WACA HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

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1893	Miss S (Sylvia) Forrest*	1982	Mr AR (Allan) Edwards* OAM	2002 Mr WM (Bill) Bryant	2016	Mr WS (Wayne) Andrews
1905	Mr WJ (William) Farley*	1983	Mr LM (Laurie) Sawle AM	2002 Mr WJ (Wally) Edwards	2017	Mrs O (Olive) Leslie*
1912	Mr J (John) Rushton*	1983	Mr W (Wally) Scott*	2004 Mr TM (Tom) Moody	2017	Ms J (Jenepher) Morison*
1917	Mr RG (Reg) Heath*	1985	Mr DK (Keith) Carmody*	2004 Mr MRJ (Michael) Veletta	2017	Ms P (Pauline) Drage*
1918	Hon J (James) Gardiner* MLA	1985	Mr CW (Charlie) Puckett*	2004 Mr B (Bruce) Yardley*	2017	Ms E (Elsie) Fairlie*
1930	Mr H (Henry) Gregory* MHR	1985	Mr CW (Wally) Langdon*	2005 Mr KL (Lyle) Jones	2017	Ms I (Isabel) James*
1937	Mr L (Leo) Ryan*	1985	Mr KD (Ken) Meuleman*	2007 Mr BP (Brendon) Julian	2017	Ms N (Norma) O'Connell*
1947	Mr F (Frank) Boan*	1985	Mr BK (Barry) Shepherd* OAM	2007 Mr L (Len) Pavy	2017	Ms M (Melva) Hamilton*
1948	Mr CH (Harry) Guy*	1985	Mr GD (Graham) McKenzie	2007 Mr TJ (Tim) Zoehrer	2017	Ms H (Heather) Asquith*
1951	Hon GW (George) Miles*	1985	Mr IJ (lan) Brayshaw MBE	2008 Mr J (Jo) Angel	2017	Ms J (Jean) True*
1956	Mr RJ (Dick) Bryant* OAM	1985	Mr RJ (John) Inverarity MBE	2008 Mr CAC (Charles) Fear	2017	Mrs LP (Lyn) Hollingsworth
1956	Mr AC (Alf) Randell*	1985	Mr GAR (Tony) Lock*	2008 Ms C (Coralie) Towers	2017	Ms AM (Anne) Fuhrmann
1963	Sir C (Charles) Gairdner*	1985	Mr RW (Rod) Marsh MBE	2009 Mr R (Ross) Edwards	2017	Ms CC (Clare) Papasergio
	KCMG, KCVO, KBE, CB	1985	Mr DK (Dennis) Lillee AM MBE	2009 Mr G (Geoff) Havercroft	2017	Ms LK (Leonie) Keenan
1972	Mr CR (Charles) Bunning* CBE	1985	Mr BF (Bernie) Prindiville*	2009 Mr AL (Tony) Mann*	2017	Mr MEK (Michael) Hussey
1972	Mr FJ (Frank) Bryant* OAM		AO, CMG	2009 Mr BM (Bruce) Laird	2017	Mr MW (Murray) Goodwin
1977	Hon Sir L (Lawrence)	1988	Mr JC (Jock) Irvine	2010 Mr WM (Wayne) Clark	2017	Ms PK (Peta) Verco
	Jackson* KCMG	1989	Mr HG (Hugh) Bevan*	2010 Mr PJ (Peter) McConnell	2018	Ms P (Penny) Mace
1977	Mr MJ (Mornie) MacGill*	1991	Mr PB (Brian) Rakich AM	2010 Mr BA (Bruce) Reid	2018	Ms A (Alice) Warren
1977	Mr DC (Douglas) McKenzie*	1993	Mr DH (Daryl) Foster OAM	2010 Mr WP (Bill) Reynolds	2018	Mr PC (Peter) Silinger
1977	Mr JEV (Jack) Murdoch*	1995	TJ (Tom) Perrott* AM Cit WA	2011 Mr CD (Chris) Matthews	2018	Mr SM (Simon) Katich
1978	Mr AD (Bert) Drew*	1996	Mr FD (Frank) O'Driscoll	2012 Mr AC (Adam) Gilchrist AM	2019	Mr JW (John) Rutherford
1978	Mr RC (Clair) Mattiske*	1996	Mr NL (Neil) Ballard	2012 Mr JL (Justin) Langer AM	2019	Mr MJ (Marcus) North
1978	Mr HWH (Bert) Rigg*	1998	Mr GR (Geoff) Marsh	2013 Mr KN (Keith) Slater AM	2020	Mr D (David) Williams
1979	Mr RE (Bob) Ballantine*	1998	Mr KJ (Kim) Hughes	2014 Mr RJ (Ric) Evans	2020	Mr C (Colin) Minson
1979	Mr EJ (Ted) Dowling*	1998	Mr GM (Graeme) Wood	2014 Ms ZJ (Zoë) Goss	2020	Ms J (Janice) Law-Davis
1979	Mr GH (Glen) Dunstan* OBE	1999	Mr TM (Terry) Alderman	2015 Mr DR (Damien) Martyn		
1980	Mr RW (Roy) Abbott* MBE	2001	Mr KH (Ken) Macleay	2015 Dr KR (Karen) Read		

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes - Deceased





The WACA Ground Improvement Project is the future of WA Cricket, it's a project that is going to set up cricket in Western Australia for the next 50 years. - WACA Chair Hon. Tuck Waldron.

It's truly an exciting time for the WACA Ground, with works on the WACA Ground Improvement Project (WGIP) officially underway following a sod-turning ceremony in August 2021.

At the formal ceremony, Western Australian Premier Mark McGowan spoke of the historical importance of the WACA Ground and his excitement for its future.

"Many Western Australians have fond memories of visiting the WACA, with so many iconic sporting moments at international and domestic level taking place over the decades at our home of cricket," Mr McGowan said.

"What is created here will be very special, the redevelopment of the WACA Ground will be wonderful for cricket, for sport and for Perth."

The redevelopment will transform the WACA Ground into a sustainable community and sporting hub with cricket at its heart.

#### The WACA Ground Improvement Project will include the following facilities:

- 10-lane indoor cricket and multi-sport facility
- New, central pavilion with food and beverage outlet
- Multi-purpose function centre with outside deck and seating overlooking the WACA Ground
- Dedicated high performance facilities for elite players, including gym, change rooms and recovery facilities
- Community Health Club
- Public cafe
- Auditorium and multi-purpose meeting rooms that will be available for community use
- Lengthening of the oval to accommodate Australian Rules Football matches and other sports

- Reinvigorated Museum that honours the rich history of the WACA Ground
- Community sports medicine and rehabilitation centre, potentially including an afterhours GP
- Provision of new office amenities for WACA staff
- Sensory room
- All abilities playground (TBC)
- Childcare facility (TBC)
- An aquatic facility, including a 50-metre pool, learn to swim pool and water leisure slides





The WA Cricket Foundation aims to enrich, support, and inspire communities by delivering social outcomes through cricket.

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Throughout the 2020-21 season, WACA staff and the Foundation partners delivered nine diversity and inclusion programs across the State, helping to create equal opportunity for every West Australian to benefit from the sport that we all love.

These programs focused on Aboriginal cricketers, people with a disability, young women in cricket, and creating an inclusive community hub at the WACA Ground.

It's exciting to report a huge growth in the number of people participating in our Aboriginal programs in the past 12 months thanks to donations to the Foundation, with participation numbers doubling. By developing and expanding these programs we can engage with schools (Leadership Program) and the community (Deadly Cricket) in ways that are safe, accessible, fun and meet community needs.

After engaging with these communities through the Leadership Program and Deadly Cricket, the Foundation



Fundraising Partner

are created in regional WA for players to transition their love of the game into playing and into being part of a community club.

Over time, these programs will also ensure that talented Aboriginal players will remain in the game longer and become role models to inspire the next generation of Aboriginal players. The Foundation are working with other not for profit organisations to ensure that it is instilling nutritional, mental health and leadership capabilities into all Aboriginal programs to develop good people as well as good cricketers.

Thanks to donations to the Foundation, there is now a complete standalone pathway for people with a disability, from introducing primary school kids to cricket through to WA and Australian representative sides.

Programs such as Starblast and Autism in Cricket are linking local community clubs with families who have children with a disability to provide an invaluable sense of connection and personal growth in a safe and welcoming environment.

When these cricketers are ready to take the next step in their journey, development programs such as the Integrated Cricket League and the Inclusion Academy allows players to improve onfield skills while, more importantly, achieving personal development off the field. Over the last year, donations to the Foundation have ensured hundreds of young women in cricket get the support and development opportunities that were not previously accessible to them. Through WACA delivered programs like Cricket Inspire and Pathway Development, the Foundation has empowered young women aged 15-17 years with practical leadership skills and access to elite cricket resources.

The WACA's partnership with Team Connect has gone from strength to strength. Team Connect is a community engagement program that creates links between secondary schools and local junior community cricket clubs in order to give adolescent girls the opportunity to participate in community cricket, with the aim of developing a sense of belonging and connection to school and community.

WA cricket legend and Foundation ambassador Michael Hussey says the programs funded through donations ensure cricket is truly a 'Sport for All'.

"The money raised through the WA Cricket Foundation will help secure the future of cricket in WA, particularly for communities that might not normally have access to the game we all love," Hussey said.

As the WACA Ground Improvement Project (WGIP) officially commences, the Foundation has turned its attention to the commitment to raise \$11 million for the Project.

Hussey says the Foundation's role in the WGIP will ensure the WACA Ground becomes an inclusive community space while celebrating WA's proud cricket heritage and history.

"The funds we raise will go towards creating a Ground that is inclusive of the whole community with sensory rooms, an all-abilities playground (TBC), and a community health centre.

"All Australians enjoy this great game, we want to give them the opportunity to enjoy this iconic Ground," he said.

The WACA is grateful to Dr Every, Dr Ken Michael AC, Meredith McClements, John Gardner, John Goodlad, John Nolan, Kate O'Hara and David Robb for their time and commitment that has led to the success of the Foundation.

Importantly, the WACA is grateful to each of the donors, who truly enrich, support and inspire the WA cricket community and whose generosity has been above expectations.

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Before the summer had even begun, the praises were sung loud and clear for Cameron Green off the back of his previous domestic campaign.

While the 2020-21 season was memorably different in any number of ways due to COVID-19, it was even more eye-opening to Cameron Green whose blistering batting form in the early rounds of the Marsh Sheffield Shield catapulted him to One-Day International and Test debuts barely a fortnight apart last December.

Green's summer may have blossomed on Australian Cricket's biggest stage, but it was an off-Broadway winter that set the tone for his success.

As winter lockdowns stalled preseasons and left administrators frantically piecing together competitions laced with the terms 'bio-secure bubble' and 'quarantine conditions', a quiet and unassuming Green toiled away at his local park under the tutelage of WA bowling coach Matt Mason.

"At that stage we could only do one-on-one sessions, for a month or so it was just myself and Matt training at Floreat Reserve." Green said.

"Matt brought so much enthusiasm and energy through the winter and we developed a great relationship.

"By the time we re-grouped as a squad, I felt like I'd set a great foundation and was excited to begin the season."

In October, former Test captain Greg Chappell declared Green the best batting talent since Ricky Ponting, and from there the jungle drums started beating for the 21-year-old sensation to play in the much-anticipated Test series against India.

While speculation swirled that a successful start to the season in Adelaide's Sheffield Shield bubble would lead to

a Test debut, Green stayed oblivious to the commentary in a bubble of his own, clear of external noise and influence.

"My focus coming into the season was to stay in the moment and build on the momentum from the previous summer." he said.

"I wasn't thinking 'a few good games will lead to a Test debut', it was more a case of improving as a player and contributing as much as I could for WA."

Across the first four rounds played in the Adelaide bubble, Green smashed 363 runs at an average of 72.6, including an imposing 197 against a strong New South Wales outfit.

His scintillating Shield form did what many predicted it would, with the towering allrounder picked to play all four Tests against the touring India.

Not only did he step up to the heightened competitive level against India, he did so in the atypical environment of bio-secure bubbles that meant his introduction to international cricket was like few debutants before him.

Before the 2020-21 season, Green's longest stint on the road was a 10-day tournament in Adelaide for Western Australia Under 19 squad in 2016-17.

"It was a weird experience because I had never spent that much time away from home before," he said.

"I was making the jump to Test cricket, but I was also taking a massive leap off-field with the amount of time we were spending on the road. "I left for the Sheffield Shield hub at the start of October and didn't return home until January.

"It was a whirlwind experience, thankfully I was able to spend some time at home towards the end of summer and finish the domestic season with WA."

The wunderkind's season finished with a flurry, as Green pummelled 168\* in the first innings against South Australia at the WACA Ground before backing it up with a career-best 251 against Queensland, making it three First-Class centuries for the season.

Green's campaign saw him finish the season as the country's leading run-scorer in Sheffield Shield cricket with 922 runs at 76.83, the first player aged 21 and under to score 900+ runs in a Sheffield Shield season since Phil Hughes in 2009-10.

The emerging talent thrived in the coloured clothing too, amassing 210 runs at 42.00 that included an impressive 144 against South Australia to sit within the competition's top five run-scorers.

His unrivalled summer saw him take home a spate of awards at the WACA's Laurie Sawle Medal evening.

On top of his first Laurie Sawle Medal as WA's best, Green was also anointed WA's Four-Day Player of the Year and the recipient of the Gold Cup trophy given to the best performing West Australian at international level.

His hattrick of awards placed him in rare company as he joined Adam Voges (2014-15) and Shaun Marsh (2018-19) as the only men to have won all three in the same season.

While his extraordinary on-field feats garnered records and recognition, the biggest accolade Green received came via his State skipper at the end of the domestic season.

At the conclusion of a marathon summer, WA captain Mitch Marsh lauded Green's humility and desire to perform for his teammates as the allrounder's most outstanding trait.

"He's a great young talent and a fantastic young man, which probably above all else is the most important thing," Marsh said.

"For Western Australian cricket, he's a great person and is extremely hungry to be successful, that's what you want young guys to be."

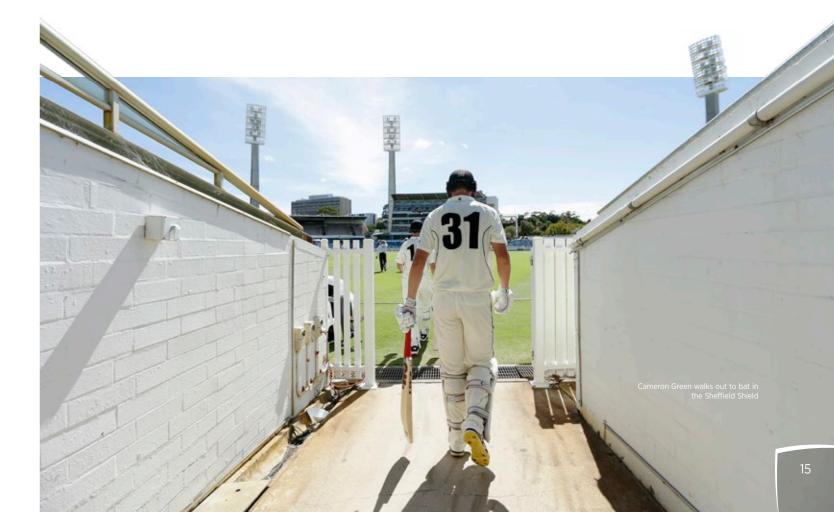
"He's a 21-year-old who has had one of the better seasons of domestic cricket you'll see over the history of the game."

When reflecting on his own season, a modest Green said he was happy with his summer but hungry for more.

"Playing Test cricket was a dream come true, but ultimately it was disappointing to lose the Test series, and an equally disappointing finish in the domestic season." he said.

"The focus heading into next season will be very much the same, I'll be aiming to improve personally as much as possible and contribute as much as possible to team success, whether that be with WA or Australia."

While WA's search for a drought-breaking Sheffield Shield title will soon resume following a seemingly endless west coast winter, one thing's for certain: the future's Green.





"When she's on its compulsive viewing, you strap yourself in and think 'this going to be a good one'... there's nothing better than Sophie Devine at the peak of her powers." - Shelley Nitschke on Sophie Devine

When the world's number one allrounder committed to the Perth Scorchers ahead of WBBL|06, fans hoped Sophie Devine would reach the dizzying heights from previous campaigns.

They weren't to be disappointed, with the newly appointed captain ruthlessly and skilfully producing one of her most clinical WBBL seasons to date.

The skipper was irrepressible with the bat, smashing 448 runs at an average of 56 and a strike-rate of 130.23.

A serial six-hitter, she sent the ball over the fence a League-high 18 times this season and became the first player in the WBBL to hit 100 career sixes.

"Sophie was nothing short of outstanding this season," Perth Scorchers head coach Shelley Nitschke said of Devine's tournament.

"To be able to churn out those sorts of performances consistently is extraordinary.

"When you think about T20 cricket and how difficult it is, to be able to perform to her level more often than not is super impressive."

While the mental fatigue of the WBBL Village heavily affected the on-field performance of teams, Devine was a pillar of strength and consistency as a leader throughout the tournament.

For all her on-field prowess and ability with the blade and ball, Nitschke believes it's the intangibles that make Devine the superstar she is.

"Sophie's impact is far greater than her stats, she has the ability to lift the performance of those around her, which is invaluable.

"Her words are so influential and have so much impact on her teammates, but she is unassuming in the way she does it.

"What I love about Soph is that she is so passionate, on the field she inspires those around her.

"As a captain, she probably doesn't realise the amount of belief she instills in younger teammates with words of encouragement and by backing them in."

The pinnacle moment on Devine's tournament kick-started the Scorchers' run to the finals against the Club's greatest rival.

The word 'brutal' may be used too often in sport, but Devine was truly just that in how she demolished an experienced Sydney Sixers team in what proved to be the innings of the tournament.

Opening the innings alongside the world's highest ranked T20 batter Beth Mooney, Devine clobbered five fours and seven sixes in an unforgettable 103 from 68 balls.

It left all those in attendance, including non-striker Mooney, completely stunned.

"I hit a couple of shots and 'Moons' came down the wicket and was like, 'What was that?' and I said, 'I actually don't know'," Devine said reflecting on the innings.

The much-hyped opening partnership with Mooney quickly became a combination of wonder, as the two lived up to the hype as the most feared opening duo in the competition.

The pair formed a fierce duo and piled on 473 runs at the crease together for an average opening stand of 47.30.

They put on a combined 1,011 runs together to sit first (Mooney) and third (Devine) on the overall run-scorers list and were named to open the batting together in the official WBBL Team of the Tournament.

When reflecting on the potent partnership, Devine said it felt like they'd spent many a summer out in the middle together.

"It's almost like we've batted for years together, it's funny to think it's only been one season," Devine said.

"We bounce off each other really well, which I think is important in any relationship."

As for her own season, the typically humble skipper maintains a strong conviction of staying in the moment and ignoring the external noises, whether they be positive or negative.

"T20 cricket is such a fickle game, you can be feeling in the prime of your life, but you can't buy a run.

"When I stick to my processes, play with freedom and allow it to come naturally without over-thinking an innings, that's when I normally get the best results."

And stick to the process she did, as the powerful opener became the first player in the history of the WBBL to claim consecutive Player of the Tournament honours.

Devine's MVP achievement was made more impressive by the fact she played two less games than her competitors due to a back injury.

The Kiwi claimed an incredible five Player of the Match awards from her 12 matches.

"It's pretty unbelievable... very few have the ability to influence and dominate a game as regularly as Sophie Devine does," Nitschke said.

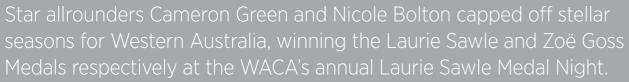
"Once she steps over the boundary rope, that's her space, she looks at home out there."

For many, the high-pressure colosseum of elite sport appears tense and uncomfortable.

For Devine, it's home.











More than 400 people attended the WACA's night of nights at Crown Perth to celebrate the individual brilliance of the State's best performers for the season, as well as recognising some of the legends of the game.

Bolton won a record-extending fifth Zoë Goss Medal on the back of a stellar domestic season, while Green won the highest award in the WA men's game for the first time ever.

In a pandemic-hit year, Bolton took her game to another level to cement her legacy as one of the all-time greats of cricket in WA.

The stylish left-hand batter polled a total 324 votes, comfortably ahead of Perth Scorchers star recruit Beth Mooney (237) and Mathilda Carmichael (233) to see a fifth Zoë Goss Medal draped around her neck.

The 33-year-old finished the Women's National Cricket League season as the State's leading wicket-taker alongside teammate Emma King, with 10 wickets and produced best figures of 3-33.

Bolton crowned her incredible year with an unbeaten century in WA's final WNCL fixture at the WACA Ground, the highlight of the 264 runs she amassed at an average 37.71 over her eight matches.

Bolton's recent success also saw her pick up back-to-back WA WNCL Player of the Year awards.

It was a huge season for young allrounder Cameron Green who polled a total 123 votes to edge out Josh Inglis (99 votes) and Shaun Marsh (84 votes) to be crowned the 2020-21 Laurie Sawle medallist.

Green's breakout State season saw him crowned WA's Four-Day Player of the Year and finish as the country's leading run-scorer in the Marsh Sheffield Shield, with 922 runs at 76.83.

The emerging talent was also awarded his first media-voted Gold Cup trophy after making his One-Day International and Test debut against India this summer and quickly established that he has the ability and temperament to compete at the top level.

Joel Paris, one of the country's leading fast bowlers in One-Day cricket, claimed his first WA One-Day Player of the Year award. Paris took 10 wickets and finished with best figures of 4-21.

Perth Scorchers speedster and the Big Bash League's leading wicket-taker Jhye Richardson claimed back-to-back Simon Katich medals, while star opener Beth Mooney was named the Scorchers WBBL Player of the Year.

Richardson claimed a League-best 29 wickets, five clear of his nearest rival, while Mooney proved unstoppable with the blade and topped the competition's runs table with 551. Both players were named in their respective Team of the Tournament.

Rising Star awards went to allrounder Sheldyn Cooper and talented fast bowler Lance Morris who both had impressive debut seasons for the State.

Opener Sam Whiteman took out the values-based Excalibur Award, while Sheldyn Cooper was named winner of the Legacy Award.

The WACA also paid tribute to Emma King who called time on her incredible 12-year professional cricket career.

The star off-spinner took 78 wickets in the WNCL competition and claimed 49 wickets with best figures of 3-17 in her 68 matches for the Perth Scorchers.

Cricket legends Michael Hussey, Karen Read and Peta Verco were formally inducted into the WACA's Gallery of Greats.

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# A Season Like No D'Arcy Short batting for Australia in T20 cricket.

#### 2020-21 WA Australian Representatives

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ASHTON AGAR	ODI	1	1	28	28	28.00	100	-	-
JASON BEHRENDORFF	T20	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CAMERON GREEN	ODI	1	1	21	21	21.00	77.77	-	-
CAMERON GREEN	TEST	4	7	236	84	33.71	40.68	-	1
MITCH MARSH	T20	6	6	106	45	26.50	116.48	-	-
MITCH MARSH	ODI	3	3	76	73	25.33	66.66	-	1
JOSH PHILIPPE	T20	5	5	105	45	21.00	120.68	-	-
JHYE RICHARDSON	T20	5	4	23	11	11.50	92.00	-	-
D'ARCY SHORT	T20	3	3	50	34	16.66	100.00	-	-
MADCHE STOINIE	T20	9	9	240	78	40.00	146.34	-	1
MARCUS STOINIS	ODI	4	4	56	43	14.00	100.00	-	-
ANDREW TYE	T20	2	-	_	-	-	-	-	-
BOWLING									
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\*Statistics for period 1 July 2020 - 30 June 2021





After a long pre-season with plenty of uncertainty due to COVID-19, to get some clarity as to where and how the domestic season would get underway brought much excitement and, in a sense, relief.





The squad trained hard during the winter months and the fact that we were beginning the season was a real positive, we were looking forward to getting to Adelaide for the opening four matches and embraced the hub concept and the challenges it would no doubt present.

We began with a brilliant 205-run win against South Australia, with Ashton Agar (114\* & 5-103) becoming the only the second player in 10 years to take five wickets and score a hundred in a Sheffield Shield match.

Josh Inglis scored a superb 153\* in a sign of what was to come from him this season, and his 266-run partnership with Agar really set up the game.

A terrific fourth innings bowling performance sealed the win for us late on day four and got our season of to the perfect start.

Our next three matches all finished in draws as the bowlers toiled away on wickets that favoured the batsmen.

Pleasingly, over all three games we were challenged at some point and on all occasions fought through and found an answer.

In hindsight our season may have looked different if we had been able to force a result in one of those matches, but we took plenty of positives from our time in Adelaide.

Our batters relished the conditions and produced some outstanding innings, while the bowling group fought hard in conditions that weren't overly helpful.

Sam Whiteman, Cameron Bancroft, Shaun Marsh, Cameron Green, Inglis and Agar all scored hundreds during that period.

Shaun Marsh produced a remarkable century in tricky conditions after we were sent into bat and fell to 5-64 against Tasmania, while Cameron Green's towering 197 against New South Wales proved to be pivotal innings for him this summer.

When we returned from the BBL break there was no doubt we felt we had an opportunity to achieve something special.

Having set a strong platform in the first half of the season, we knew the final four matches - one at the Gabba and three at the WACA Ground - would suit our style of cricket.

We did a lot of things right over those four matches and showed plenty of fight when the game wasn't being played

Green (168\*) and Bancroft (126) made impressive hundreds against South Australia when we declared with a first innings deficit to try and encourage a result.

We had risked losing the game to try and win it, but it ended in one of the best finishes to a Sheffield Shield match in recent memory, as our boys defiantly held on for a draw nine wickets down through 75 overs on the final day.

Cameron Green (251) continued his run of form when he notched a brilliant double century in the first innings against Queensland, before Hilton Cartwright (96) and Jake Carder (57\*) grinded through Day 4 when a draw was the best result on offer.

Joel Paris repeated Ashton Agar's feats from the first match when he produced 102\* with the bat and 5-33 with the ball in an emphatic 247-run win against Victoria that kept our campaign alive.

Ultimately, it came down to the last match of the season where a win at home against Tasmania would see us host the Sheffield Shield final.

It was a huge opportunity, to not produce our best cricket was bitterly disappointing.

We lost Matt Kelly (shoulder) and Joel Paris (groin) within a 20-minute period on Day 1 which took the wind out of our sails a little.

Our boys stuck to their guns and fought hard, but we were clearly outplayed in a 175-run loss.

Good form and momentum doesn't give you the right to continue to play well, and while those injuries certainly didn't help, it was a disappointing way to finish our Shield season.

The Marsh One Day Cup was also played after the BBL break, with a shortened five-match competition sending the top two teams straight into the final.

We started the tournament with a high-scoring win over South Australia that saw history made while also giving more than a glimpse into the future.

Cameron Green (144) played a coming-of-age innings in white-ball cricket, while the evergreen Shaun Marsh (113) became the first West Australian to register

10 One Day Domestic centuries.

After a loss to Queensland and a wash-out against New South Wales we were mid-table with no margin for error, but we could still make the final which provided plenty of motivation.

Consecutive double bonus point victories over Victoria and Tasmania at the WACA Ground saw us leap-frog Queensland on the table and finish the tournament in second spot.

They were by no means perfect matches, we were bowled out batting first in both games, but we earned the right to play in the final and defend our title.

The conditions in the final at Sydney's Bankstown Oval may have favoured a strong New South Wales outfit, but the loss was an important lesson that taught our team the need to tailor our games to play different situations.

There was plenty of pride in the way that we fought and won our way into the final, but we walked away knowing we needed to improve.

Overall, we take the positives and the learnings from the season and understand that we're not quite there yet, but we are certainly capable of improving and putting all the pieces together.

Cameron Green was named the Laurie Sawle medalist after an extraordinary summer that saw him lead the Sheffield Shield with 922 runs at an average of 76.83.

Josh Inglis enjoyed a breakout year, scoring three Shield hundreds to go with his impressive white-ball improvement, while Shaun Marsh continued to show why he was crowned the Domestic Player of the Year for the past two seasons.

The next step for our group is to find a way to adjust our game to play as well on the eastern seaboard as we do at home.

We are a good team who played periods of great cricket over the course of the season, but the challenge for us is to become a great team.

Adam Voges OAM

#### MARSH SHEFFIELD SHIELD RESULTS

**SA v WA** - Western Australia 5d-481 & 2d-215 DEF South Australia 314 & 177. Western Australia win by 205 runs. Agar 114\* & 5-103 Inglis 153\* Marsh 110.

**NSW v WA** - Western Australia 534 DRAW New South Wales 6d-443 & 2-107. Match Drawn. Green 197 Whiteman 114 Kelly 89.

**WA v TAS** - Western Australia 302 & 5d-436 DRAW Tasmania 432 & 2-117. Match Drawn. Whiteman 118 S Marsh 115 Bancroft 104 Morris 5-94.

VIC v WA - Western Australia 479 DRAW Victoria 4d-414 & 4-199. Match Drawn. S Marsh 135 Inglis 125.

**WA v SA** - Western Australia 5d-409 & 9-148 DRAW South Australia 8d-510 & 9d-230. Match Drawn. Green 168\* Bancroft 126 O'Connor 3-53.

**QLD v WA** - Western Australia 5d-458 & 4-178 DRAW Queensland 9d-600. Match Drawn. Green 251 Cartwright 96 Carder 57\*.

WA v VIC - Western Australia 9d-391 & 5d-269 DEF Victoria 207 & 206. Western Australia win by 247 runs. Paris 102\* & 5-33 Inglis 115 Bancroft 113 & 68 Whiteman 104.

**WA v TAS** - Western Australia 219 & 304 DEF BY Tasmania 514 & 6d-184. Tasmania win by 175 runs. Bancroft 57 Inglis 54 S Marsh 54.

#### MARSH ONE-DAY CUP RESULTS

**WA v SA** - Western Australia 5-369 (50.0) DEF South Australia 356 (49.2). Western Australia win by 13 runs. Green 144 S Marsh 113.

**QLD v WA** - Western Australia 143 (31.5) DEF BY Queensland 9-264 (50.0). Queensland win by 93 runs (D/L method). Whiteman 52 Paris 4-50.

**NSW v QLD** - Match abandoned without a ball being bowled.

**WA v VIC** - Western Australia 317 (48.3) DEF Victoria 147 (30.1). Western Australia win by 170 runs. Inglis 91 Whiteman 66 Paris 4-21.

**WA v TAS** - Western Australia 307 (48.3) DEF Tasmania 148 (24.5). Western Australia win by 159 runs. M Marsh 63 Inglis 60 Behrendorff 3-33.

**Final: NSW v WA** - Western Australia 149 (40.3) DEF BY NSW 8-251 (50.0). New South Wales win by 102 runs. Behrendorff 3-46.





#### MARSH SHEFFIELD SHIELD STATISTICS

TEAM	М	W	L	Т	D	N/R	PTS
Queensland	8	3	1	-	3	1	33.17
New South Wales	8	3	2	-	3	-	31.51
Western Australia	8	2	1	-	5	-	28.37
Tasmania	8	2	3	-	3	-	28.11
Victoria	8	1	1	-	6	-	21.76
South Australia	8	_	3	_	4	1	12.82

BATTING													
Player	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	BF	SR	100	50	-	4s	6s
C Green	8	14	2	922	251	76.83	1688	54.62	3	2	1	98	13
SE Marsh	8	14	1	734	135	56.46	1361	53.93	3	3	-	89	10
CT Bancroft	8	14	-	678	126	48.42	1399	48.46	3	3	-	74	4
JP Inglis	8	12	4	585	153*	73.12	688	85.02	3	2	-	78	12
SM Whiteman	8	14	-	555	118	39.64	1003	55.33	3	1	-	68	-
HWR Cartwright	4	7	1	213	96	35.5	472	45.12	-	1	-	28	4
AC Agar	4	6	1	162	114*	32.4	292	55.47	1	-	-	22	-
JS Paris	4	3	1	154	102*	77	255	60.39	1	-	-	18	1
M Kelly	8	7	-	153	89	21.85	298	51.34	-	1	1	17	8
CJ Gannon	8	7	3	143	58	35.75	235	60.85	-	1	-	19	4
DJM Short	2	3	1	122	57*	61	187	65.24	-	1	-	14	1
JM Carder	2	4	3	71	57*	71	158	44.93	-	1	-	5	-
AM Hardie	4	5	1	71	28*	17.75	119	59.66	-	-	1	11	-
MR Marsh	1	2	-	46	24	23	98	46.93	-	-	-	5	-
AJ Turner	2	2	-	10	6	5	44	22.72	-	-	-	1	-
L Guthrie	3	2	-	8	8	4	22	36.36	-	-	1	2	-
LR Morris	5	4	3	6	4*	6	29	20.68	-	-	-	-	-
LN O'Connor	1	1	1	-	0*	-	11	-	-	-	-	-	-

BOWLING															
Player	Mat	Inns	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	BBI	ВВМ	Ave	Econ	SR	5	10	Ct	St
CJ Gannon	8	15	315.5	80	950	24	3-65	5-103	39.58	3	78.9	-	-	5	-
M Kelly	8	15	264.5	63	685	20	4-43	6-78	34.25	2.58	79.4	-	-	5	-
AC Agar	4	8	209	49	591	14	5-103	6-149	42.21	2.82	89.5	1	-	2	-
JS Paris	4	6	114.3	39	232	12	5-33	6-67	19.33	2.02	57.2	1	-	-	-
LR Morris	5	9	117.1	22	442	12	5-94	5-103	36.83	3.77	58.5	1	-	3	-
AM Hardie	4	7	90	12	330	7	2-19	2-78	47.14	3.66	77.1	-	-	2	-
L Guthrie	3	5	92	12	381	5	2-163	2-121	76.2	4.14	110.4	-	-	4	-
JM Carder	2	2	41.5	3	177	4	3-134	3-134	44.25	4.23	62.7	-	-	2	-
MR Marsh	1	2	23	1	85	3	3-84	3-85	28.33	3.69	46	-	-	1	-
LN O'Connor	1	2	27	-	127	3	3-53	3-127	42.33	4.7	54	-	-	-	-
C Green	8	11	85	15	295	3	2-36	2-36	98.33	3.47	170	-	-	4	-
AJ Turner	2	2	4	1	14	1	1-9	1-9	14	3.5	24	-	-	3	-
DJM Short	2	4	57	5	192	1	1-87	1-160	192	3.36	342	-	-	1	-
HWR Cartwright	4	2	6	-	25	-			-	4.16	-	-	-	3	-
CT Bancroft	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-
JP Inglis	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	2
SE Marsh	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-
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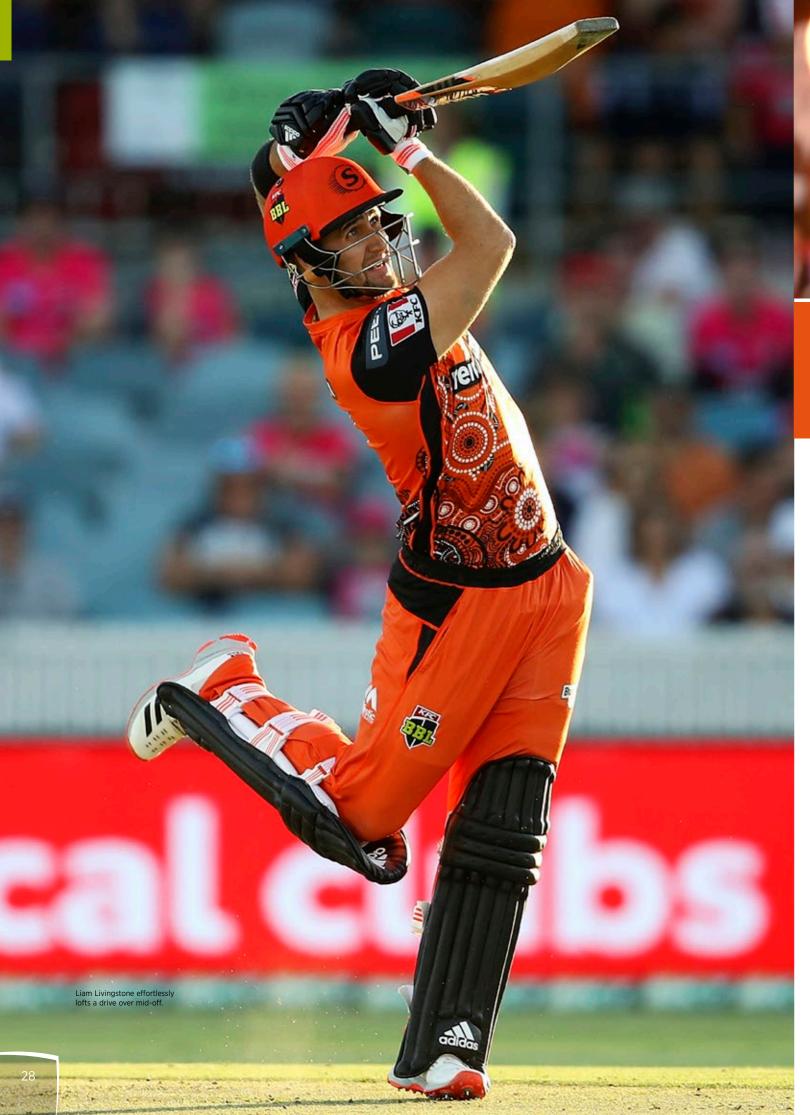
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New South Wales	5	4	-	-	-	1	19
Western Australia	5	3	1	-	-	1	17
Queensland	5	3	1	-	-	1	15
Tasmania	5	2	3	-	-	-	10
Victoria	5	1	3	-	-	1	5
South Australia	5	-	5	-	-	-	

BATTING													
Player	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	BF	SR	100	50	-	4s	6s
SM Whiteman	5	5	-	220	66	44	233	94.42	-	3	1	25	4
C Green	5	5	-	210	144	42	213	98.59	1	-	-	21	4
JP Inglis	5	5	-	209	91	41.8	169	123.66	-	2	-	17	9
SE Marsh	2	2	-	167	113	83.5	170	98.23	1	1	-	19	1
MR Marsh	2	2	-	80	63	40	69	115.94	-	1	-	8	2
HWR Cartwright	2	2	-	45	36	22.5	58	77.58	-	-	-	2	3
NR Hobson	2	2	1	38	36	38	42	90.47	-	-	-	4	-
JP Behrendorff	2	2	2	37	35*	-	39	94.87	-	-	-	4	1
AM Hardie	3	3	1	36	22	18	44	81.81	-	-	-	2	1
DJM Short	2	2	-	34	26	17	69	49.27	-	-	-	3	-
CT Bancroft	3	3	-	27	18	9	31	87.09	-	-	1	2	1
L Guthrie	5	4	2	22	19	11	24	91.66	-	-	-	3	-
JS Paris	3	2	-	22	14	11	22	100	-	-	-	3	-
AJ Turner	2	2	-	21	20	10.5	35	60	-	-	-	1	-
JR Philippe	2	2	-	18	14	9	35	51.42	-	-	-	3	-
M Kelly	2	2	-	17	16	8.5	19	89.47	-	-	-	1	1
LR Morris	2	2	-	12	12	6	16	75	-	-	1	1	-
AC Agar	2	2	-	9	8	4.5	23	39.13	-	-	-	1	-

DOWLING														
Player	Mat	Inns	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	BBI	Ave	Econ	SR	4	5	Ct	St
JS Paris	3	3	27.1	2	133	10	4-21	13.3	4.89	16.3	2	-	1	-
JP Behrendorff	2	2	16	-	79	6	3-33	13.16	4.93	16	-	-	-	-
L Guthrie	5	5	34	-	164	5	2-55	32.8	4.82	40.8	-	-	3	-
MR Marsh	2	2	10	-	38	3	2-34	12.66	3.8	20	-	-	1	-
AM Hardie	3	3	21.2	1	128	3	2-57	42.66	6	42.6	-	-	-	-
M Kelly	2	2	14	-	88	3	2-64	29.33	6.28	28	-	-	1	-
LN O'Connor	3	3	23	-	147	3	3-35	49	6.39	46	-	-	1	-
AC Agar	2	2	15	-	69	2	2-25	34.5	4.6	45	-	-	2	-
DJM Short	2	2	3.5	-	22	2	1-9	11	5.73	11.5	-	-	-	-
LR Morris	2	2	9	-	64	1	1-27	64	7.11	54	-	-	-	-
C Green	5	5	25	1	171	-	-	-	6.84	-	-	-	2	-
CH Stobo	1	1	6	-	49	-	-	-	8.16	-	-	-	-	-
CT Bancroft	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
HWR Cartwright	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NR Hobson	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
JP Inglis	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	1
SE Marsh	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
SM Whiteman	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-

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In what was undoubtably the most unique and unpredictable Big Bash season to date, our players, staff, and Club should be incredibly proud of the way we embraced and overcame challenges both on and off the field.





We had a small taste of what a season inside a bubble would be like with the Sheffield Shield hub, but we knew going in that there would be an element of unpredictability.

When we assembled for the first time as a group in Hobart three days

before our opening match, we acknowledged that there would be challenges at the start of the campaign.

Our pace trio of Jhye Richardson, Jason Behrendorff and AJ Tye had all endured major off-season surgeries, while Mitch Marsh returned from an ankle injury he suffered in the Indian Premier League.

We were also without Jason Roy and Liam Livingstone in the early matches, with both completing two weeks of hotel quarantine before linking up with the squad on Boxing Day, which clearly wasn't ideal preparation.

We knew it wouldn't take much to turn around a slow start and we kept a positive approach knowing the arrival of our internationals and a block of home matches were just around the corner.

A comprehensive 7-wicket win over the Adelaide Strikers on New Years' Eve kick-started our season and gave us momentum as we headed home to Perth.

We have played well at Optus Stadium without making it 'our own' in previous seasons, but this year we nailed our game plan when we got back to Perth.

Our team were excited to be playing in front of cricket-starved Scorchers Members and fans, and the noise and the energy we received from the crowd across those four matches was electric.

We won all our home games and left Perth feeling a lot better about our tournament, but the most pleasing thing was we'd had contributions from every player by that stage.

Our internationals adjusted to the Perth wicket and the opening partnership of Jason Roy and Liam Livingstone gave our middle order a solid platform to launch from in the back-half of innings.

Colin Munro took a strong liking to Optus Stadium; he scored three half-centuries in a row and quickly became a crowd favourite.

We moved Josh Inglis from opener down to the middle order and from the moment he went down to number four he looked like he'd been there his entire career.

Mitch Marsh and Ashton Turner made the most of batting in the Power Surge and did wonderfully well finishing our innings.

Richardson and Behrendorff were menacing with the new ball upfront, Tye (4-20) ripped through the Sydney Sixers middle order and Aaron Hardie had found confidence playing a valuable all-round role.

Victory in our final match of the home and away season would have secured top spot on the ladder, but a loss to the Brisbane Heat saw us finish in second, which meant playing the Qualifier against the Sixers in Canberra.

James Vince (98\*) outplayed us in the first final but we had the double chance and importantly for our group, we were heading home to play the Challenger at Optus Stadium.

While there were challenges on the field, in the background there were always challenges happening off the field and final week of the BBL was definitely the biggest one we had to encounter as a group.

We had our bags packed and were two hours from leaving for the airport when the Perth lockdown essentially handed us the fate of finishing the season in an east-coast bubble.

To know that we weren't coming home was tough for everyone, we had sacrificed large periods of time away from our families and had earned the right to return home and play at Optus Stadium.

It probably took 24-hours to process and re-focus and gain an understanding of what we needed to do next to keep our tournament alive.

An additional hurdle heading into the Challenger match was Cricket Australia's decision to play the final in Sydney which, given state border restrictions, essentially meant we were facing two weeks of guarantine just to contest for the trophy.

Despite the circumstances, our team were motivated to perform knowing we had incredible support from family and friends and the people of Perth.

We played brilliantly against the Heat in one of our most complete performances for the season, producing a comfortable 49-run win.

Playing the Final in Sydney, it was another standout performance from James Vince (95) that won the game.

At the 10-over mark of our chase we were certainly in the contest, but the Sixers played better at the back end of the game to be BBL|10 Champions.

We didn't get the finish we were after, but I'm proud of how our entire group approached the season.

Jhye Richardson had a phenomenal tournament, we were thrilled to see him win the 'Golden Arm' award as the competition's leading wicket taker.

To return from injury the way he did and to bowl in the Powerplay, during the Power Surge and at the death was outstanding, he wanted to be the leader of our attack and he certainly was.

Jhye and Colin Munro were both rewarded with selection in the official Team of the Tournament, which is fantastic reward for their respective seasons.

With Mitch's focus on returning to full fitness and uncertainty over his initial availability, Ashton Turner took on the captaincy.

A highly respected leader within our group, Ashton excelled in the role and remained skipper for the duration of our season.

It would be remiss not to acknowledge the players who arguably had the hardest job of the summer, to travel with our squad in bio-secure hubs and not get the opportunity to play.

The way they went about their training and match days, helping the boys who were preparing to play, keeping spirits high, bringing energy - the contribution they made was immense

Thank you to the entire WACA staff for the work they put into making our season happen, it doesn't happen without your input and efforts.

We have a wonderful group of people who love the Scorchers and are passionate about what they do, it certainly makes my job a lot easier, I'm forever thankful to those people.

Adam Voges OAM

#### KFC BIG BASH LEAGUE RESULTS

#### Melbourne Renegades v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 130 (19.1) DEF BY Melbourne Renegades 3-131 (16.3). Renegades win by 7 wickets. Hardie 33 Richardson 2-20.

#### Perth Scorchers v Melbourne Stars

Perth Scorchers 6-158 (17.0) N/R Melbourne Stars 1-10 (1.1). No Result. Munro 49 Turner 39.

#### Sydney Thunder v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 5-152 (20.0) DEF BY Sydney Thunder 3-156 (19.3). Thunder win by 7 wickets. Marsh 52\* Bancroft 34\*.

#### Perth Scorchers v Adelaide Strikers

Perth Scorchers 94 (15.2) DEF BY Adelaide Strikers 8-165 (20.0). Strikers win by 71 runs. Richardson 3-30.

#### Adelaide Strikers v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 147-3 (17.4) DEF Adelaide Strikers 9-146 (20.0). Scorchers win by 7 wickets. Roy 49 Richardson 3-19.

#### Perth Scorchers v Melbourne Renegades

Perth Scorchers 3-185 (20.0) DEF Melbourne Renegades 89 (12.5). Scorchers win by 96 runs. Inglis 72\* Munro 52 Ahmed 2-5.

#### Perth Scorchers v Sydney Sixers

Perth Scorchers v 4-183 (20.0) DEF Sydney Sixers 97 (16.4). Scorchers win by 86 runs. Tye 4-20 Marsh 57\* Munro 50.

#### Perth Scorchers v Sydney Thunder

Perth Scorchers 6-185 (20.0) DEF Sydney Thunder 168 (20.0). Scorchers win by 17 runs. Richardson 4-24 Munro 50.

#### Perth Scorchers v Hobart Hurricanes

Perth Scorchers 1-140 (16,2) DEF Hobart Hurricanes (20.0). Scorchers win by 9 wickets. Roy 74\* Livingstone 54 Hardie 2-36.

#### Sydney Sixers v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 7-163 (20.0) DEF BY Sydney Sixers 3-164 (18.5). Sixers win by 7 wickets. Livingstone 67 Munro 34.

#### Perth Scorchers v Brisbane Heat

Perth Scorchers 5-174 (20.0) DEF Brisbane Heat 115 (16.4). Scorchers win by 59 runs. Munro 82 Ahmed 3-25.

#### Hobart Hurricanes v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 8-179 (20.0) DEF Hobart Hurricanes 8-157 (20.0). Scorchers win by 22 runs. Inglis 58 Richardson 4-33 & 29.

#### Melbourne Stars v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 4-182 (20.0) DEF Melbourne Stars 6-171 (20.0). Scorchers win by 11 runs. Roy 54 Munro 46.

#### Brisbane Heat v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 7-181 (20.0) DEF BY Brisbane Heat 6-175 (20.0). Heat win by 6 runs. Marsh 54 Roy 41 Tye 2-23.

#### The Qualifier | Sydney Sixers v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 6-167 (20.0) DEF BY Sydney Sixers 1-168 (17.0). Sixers win by 9 wickets. Inglis 69\* Turner 33.

#### The Challenger | Perth Scorchers v Brisbane Heat

Perth Scorchers 1-189 (18.1) DEF Brisbane Heat 9-150 (18.0). Scorchers win by 49 runs (D/L method). Livingstone 77 Bancroft 58\* Hardie 3-46.

#### The Final | Sydney Sixers v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 9-161 (20.0) DEF BY Sydney Sixers 6-188 (20.0). Sixers win by 27 runs. Livingstone 45 Tye 2-29 Bancroft 30.





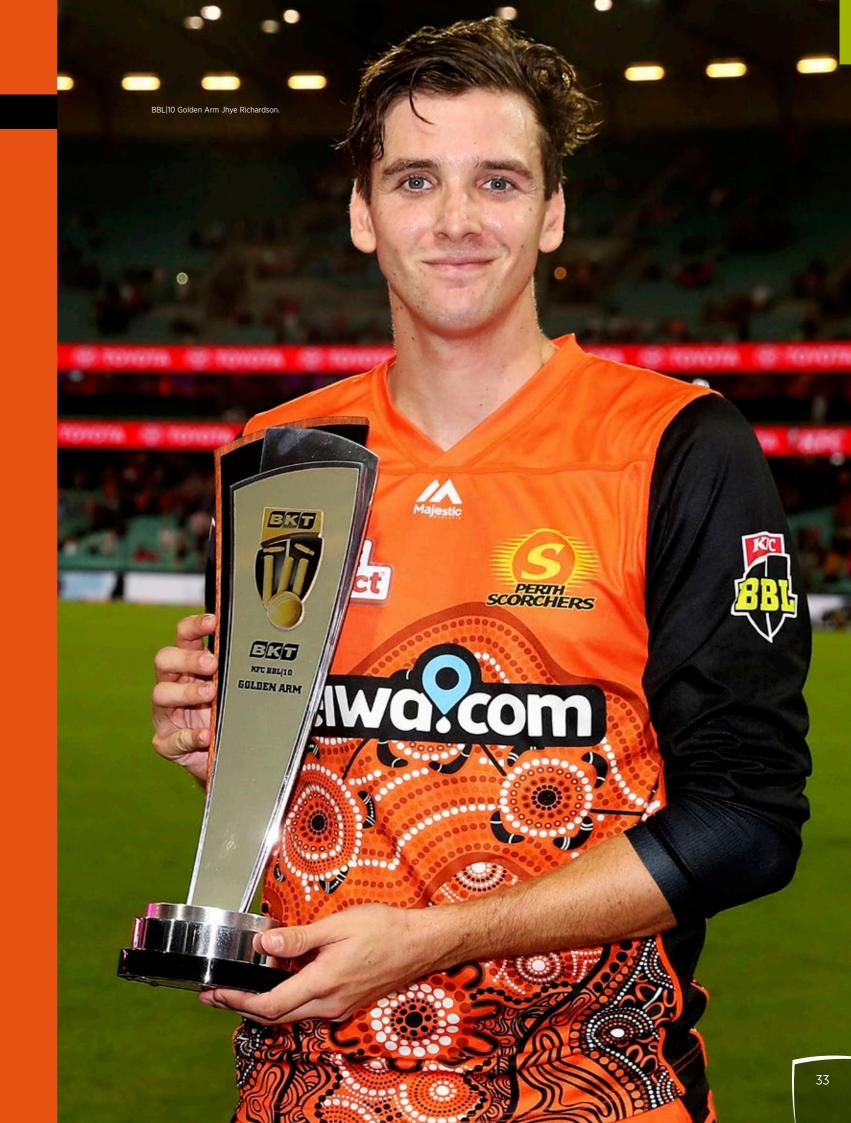


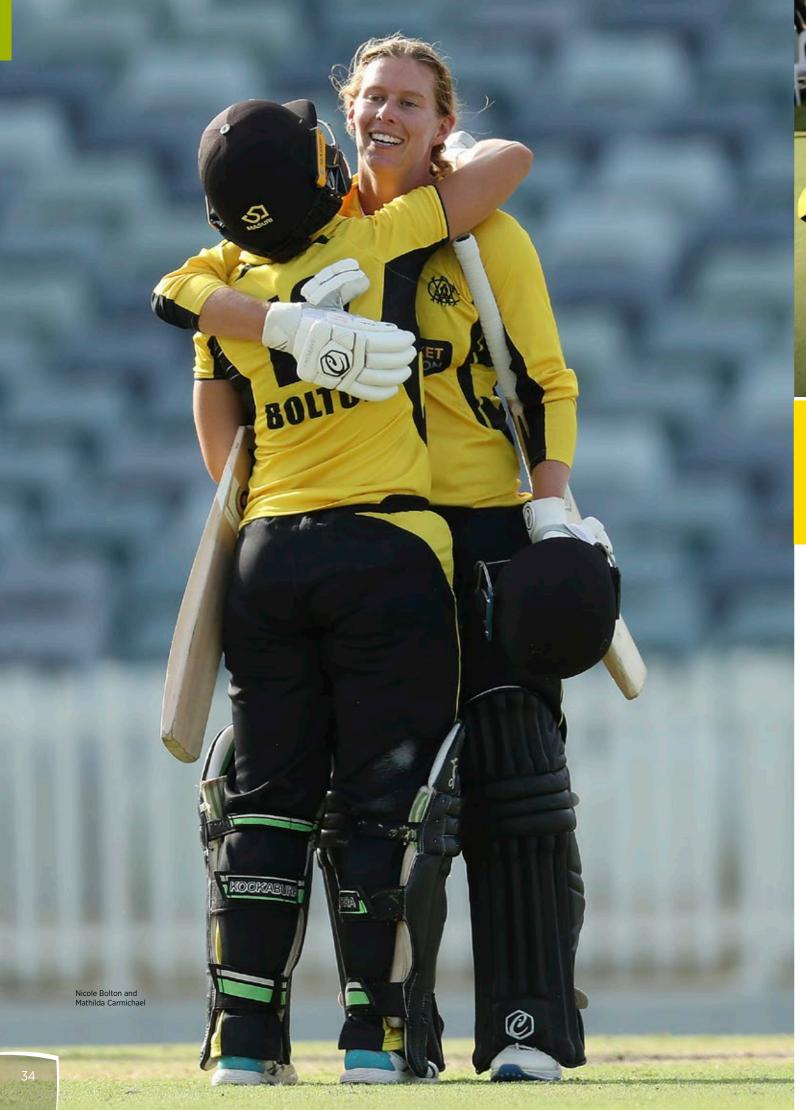
#### KFC BIG BASH LEAGUE STATISTICS

TEAM	М	W	L	т	N/R	PTS
Sydney Sixers	14	9	5	-	-	36
Perth Scorchers	14	8	5	-	1	32
Sydney Thunder	14	8	6	-	-	31
Brisbane Heat	14	7	7	-	-	29
Adelaide Strikers	14	7	7	-	-	28
Hobart Hurricanes	14	7	7	-	-	28
Melbourne Stars	14	5	8	-	1	24
Melbourne Renegades	14	4	10	_	_	16

BATTING													
Player	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	BF	SR	100	50	-	4s	6s
C Munro	16	15	1	443	82	31.64	346	128.03	-	4	1	32	19
LS Livingstone	14	14	-	426	77	30.42	318	133.96	-	3	-	26	28
JP Inglis	17	16	4	413	72*	34.41	295	140	-	3	-	40	9
JJ Roy	12	12	1	355	74*	32.27	272	130.51	-	2	-	43	7
MR Marsh	15	14	6	315	57*	39.37	213	147.88	-	3	1	27	13
AJ Turner	17	13	3	228	39	22.8	150	152	-	-	1	19	10
CT Bancroft	8	7	3	156	58*	39	120	130	-	1	-	12	2
AM Hardie	17	9	2	123	33	17.57	100	123	-	-	1	6	5
JA Richardson	17	11	6	96	29	19.2	69	139.13	-	-	1	9	3
JM Clarke	3	3	-	44	34	14.66	24	183.33	-	-	1	2	4
AJ Tye	17	5	2	37	15	12.33	29	127.58	-	-	1	3	2
JP Behrendorff	16	4	3	11	6*	11	9	122.22	-	-	1	1	-
Fawad Ahmed	17	3	1	1	1	0.5	4	25	-	-	1	-	-
JS Paris	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
KR Patterson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

BOWLING														
Player	Mat	Inns	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	BBI	Ave	Econ	SR	4	5	Ct	St
JA Richardson	17	17	61.3	1	473	29	4-24	16.31	7.69	12.7	2	-	4	-
AJ Tye	17	16	54.1	-	433	21	4-20	20.61	7.99	15.4	1	-	5	-
JP Behrendorff	16	16	53	1	373	16	2-17	23.31	7.03	19.8	-	-	5	-
Fawad Ahmed	17	16	56.3	1	436	15	3-25	29.06	7.71	22.6	-	-	3	-
AM Hardie	17	16	44	-	397	10	3-46	39.7	9.02	26.4	-	-	10	-
LS Livingstone	14	6	10	-	85	5	1-9	17	8.5	12	-	-	5	-
MR Marsh	15	5	11.3	-	75	4	2-14	18.75	6.52	17.2	-	-	6	-
AJ Turner	17	5	5.3	-	54	-	-	-	9.81	-	-	-	7	-
JS Paris	1	1	1	-	10	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-
CT Bancroft	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
JM Clarke	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
JP Inglis	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	2
C Munro	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-
KR Patterson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
JJ Roy	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-







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Under normal circumstances our season would typically begin in September with rounds spread across the summer, but after three official delays, our season was condensed into an eight-match block between February 17 and March 20.

Our first obvious challenge was the length of the preseason and the amount of time our squad spent training without the opportunity to play.

It became a slightly repetitive cycle as the team would prepare for the season to begin, only for it to invariably be pushed back.

There was a fine balance between ensuring players were motivated and ready to go while also remaining fresh and not being trapped in the grind of continual training.

The two weeks of mandatory home quarantine after what had been an emotionally demanding WBBL season was another hurdle and we were conscious of managing the return to training but also recognising where people were at mentally.

The team acknowledged the challenges at the time, but on reflection I don't think we realised how much of an impact they were having.

Although it was a testing period, as a group we developed a resilience and an ability to adapt to the ever-changing landscape and we're better for it.

When the start date of the season was finally confirmed, the squad was raring to go and grateful that the WNCL was going ahead.

Our group are tight and enjoy travelling together, so starting our season on the road held no fears and we embraced the opportunity to begin the campaign with a stretch of away matches.

After a bad loss in the first match against Tasmania there was an immediate positive response, albeit one that ended in an agonising 1-run loss.

In very tricky conditions we were in control for much of the run chase and creative in our attempts to play to the elements but fell just short.

In the double-header against Queensland that followed we were outplayed by a Beth Mooney masterclass on both occasions.

Our girls fought hard but ultimately, Queensland were better on both days and it left us winless through our first four matches.

Clearly it wasn't the start we were after, but we had a small period to regroup and refocus ahead of the back half of our tournament.

To have the opportunity to play our final four matches at the WACA Ground was a massive boost for our team.

Playing in front our family and friends on the iconic ground was a special moment that our squad relished, and there was an improvement in performance.

It was disappointing to lose to the ACT and South Australia, but the girls finished strongly with consecutive wins over Victoria and importantly put out what we had been trying to implement all season.

There's no denying as a team struggled in key areas on the field that were detrimental to our overall performance this year.

Our batting group were unable to consistently create partnerships and were often two or more wickets down through the first 10 overs, which made it difficult for batters to play with freedom and move the game forward.

We weren't as impactful with the ball either and struggled to remove settled batters, conceding four centuries and six half-centuries to opposition batters over eight matches.

Despite the collective disappointment, there were several individual performances that should be celebrated.

Nicole Bolton won a record-extending fifth Zoë Goss medal and continues to be an absolute professional who drives team standards with everything she does.

Bolts again showed her value as an all-rounder, taking 10 wickets (team-high) across the tournament to go with our sole century for the WNCL, a magnificent 100\* against Victoria.

Chloe Piparo led from the front consistently throughout the season and was the glue of our batting unit, digging in when wickets were falling around her.

Her performances exemplify her character, she played several courageous, resilient innings and will grow immensely as a leader from this season.

Mathilda Carmichael (280) was our leading run scorer and played some brilliant middle order knocks, while Amy Edgar gave us a glimpse of her ability to finish an innings in the latter stages of the tournament.

Sheldyn Cooper and Zoe Britcliffe both debuted this season, with Coops going on to be named our Rising Star at the Laurie Sawle Medal evening.

Having struggled with injuries since joining the squad, it was a special moment for Coops to play in front of her family and friends and we were thrilled for her.

We also farewelled veteran off-spinner Emma King in our final match, with players from both sides forming a guard of honour as she left the field for the final time in WA colours.

Over her 12-year career Kingy contributed to many on-field triumphs for WA, and we wish her well in the future.

The biggest lesson from our season was undoubtably the impact of COVID-19 and everything that goes with it.

As a group we have become more mindful of who we are as people off the field and respect the challenges that life brings.

There's no doubt we need greater on-field consistency and it's an area our group will work hard to develop throughout the preseason.

As hard as it was to lose as many games as we did, the 2020-21 WNCL season was a massive learning that we will take into future seasons.

#### **Becky Grundy**

#### WOMEN'S NATIONAL CRICKET LEAGUE RESULTS

**TAS v WA** - Western Australia 8-170 (50.0) DEF BY Tasmania 1-171 (31.3). Tasmania win by 9 wickets. Piparo 50 Cleary 42\*.

**TAS v WA** - Western Australia 8-214 (50.0) DEF BY Tasmania 9-215 (50.0). Tasmania win by 1 run. Bolton 71 & 3-46 Piparo 53.

**QLD v WA** - Western Australia 140 (46.1) DEF BY Queensland 1-142 (21.0). Queensland win by 9 wickets. Carmichael 39 Cleary 38.

**QLD v WA** - Western Australia 208 (46.5) DEF BY Queensland 4-368. Queensland win by 160 runs. Piparo 53 Carmichael 53.

**WA v ACT** - Western Australia 211 (45.2) DEF BY ACT 6-275. ACT win by 64 runs. Piparo 74 E King 3-26.

**WA v SA** - Western Australia 181 (40.4) DEF BY SA 7-251. South Australia win by 70 runs. Edgar 49 Bolton 36 & 3-33.

**WA v VIC** - Western Australia 4-156 (27.1) DEF VIC 155 (48.1). Western Australia win by 6 wickets. Peschel 4-37 Edgar 47 Carmichael 47\*.

**WA v VIC** - Western Australia 2-205 (39.4) DEF VIC 8-203 (50.0). Western Australia win by 8 wickets. Bolton 100\* Carmichael 79\* E King 3-37.



#### WOMEN'S NATIONAL CRICKET LEAGUE STATISTICS

TEAM	М	W	L	т	N/R	PTS
Victoria	8	6	2	-	-	26.5
Queensland	8	4	3	-	1	21
Tasmania	8	4	3	1	-	19
New South Wales	8	3	3	1	1	18
South Australia	8	4	4	-	-	18
ACT	8	3	5	-	-	13
Western Australia	8	2	6	-	-	9.5

BATTING													
Player	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	BF	SR	100	50	-	4s	6s
M Carmichael	8	8	2	280	79*	46.66	382	73.29	-	2	1	25	-
NE Bolton	8	8	1	264	100*	37.71	315	83.8	1	1	-	28	-
C Piparo	8	8	-	258	74	32.25	425	60.7	-	4	1	27	-
AL Edgar	8	7	-	153	49	21.85	232	65.94	-	-	-	16	-
P Cleary	8	6	1	118	42*	23.6	171	69	-	-	-	7	-
AM King	8	6	-	92	34	15.33	152	60.52	-	-	-	4	4
A Day	7	7	-	57	15	8.14	131	43.51	-	-	1	6	-
T Peschel	7	5	2	51	24*	17	72	70.83	-	-	1	4	1
EL King	8	6	1	38	8	7.6	75	50.66	-	-	-	2	-
M Banting	8	7	1	36	13	6	103	34.95	-	-	1	4	-
S Cooper	7	5	4	8	4*	8	20	40	-	-	1	-	-
Z Britcliffe	3	1	-	2	2	2	4	50	-	-	-	-	-

BOWLING														
Player	Mat	Inns	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	BBI	Ave	Econ	SR	4	5	Ct	St
EL King	8	8	70	3	286	10	3-26	28.6	4.08	42	-	-	4	-
NE Bolton	8	8	66	2	318	10	3-33	31.8	4.81	39.6	-	-	5	-
T Peschel	7	7	55	5	286	9	4-37	31.77	5.2	36.6	1	-	-	-
P Cleary	8	8	64	4	359	7	2-25	51.28	5.6	54.8	-	-	-	-
AM King	8	8	56.1	1	259	4	2-26	64.75	4.61	84.2	-	-	2	-
S Cooper	7	7	28.3	1	162	2	1-11	81	5.68	85.5	-	-	1	-
Z Britcliffe	3	3	10	-	66	-	-	-	6.6	-	-	-	-	-
AL Edgar	8	1	1	-	17	-	-	-	17	-	-	-	4	-
M Banting	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3
M Carmichael	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
A Day	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C Piparo	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-





It was clear to us very early that an entire season inside a WBBL Village would present immense challenges for all clubs, but also provide incredible opportunity.





Once the 'WBBL Village' concept was confirmed for Sydney's Olympic Park, we began preparing our players for the challenge that lay ahead of us, with a major focus on both 'bubble life' and the tournament at hand.

We were thrilled to welcome Sophie

Devine, Beth Mooney and Sarah Glenn to the Scorchers ahead of the season, alongside promising Western Australia bowler Georgia Wyllie.

While Meg Lanning, Nat Sciver, Georgia Redmayne and Kim Garth had departed the Club, there was excitement around the new signings and what could be achieved this season.

Unfortunately, the rain wreaked havoc on the early stages of the WBBL and our first four matches were all heavily impacted by poor weather.

We lost our opener in wet conditions against the Brisbane Heat and followed it with two washouts against the Hurricanes and Strikers, and a reduced-overs win over the Renegades. We weren't alone in having our games impacted by the weather, but to face just over 31 overs with the bat and deliver 47 with the ball through our first four games made it difficult to build momentum, either individually or as a team.

We played poorly in a disappointing loss against the Stars that left us with one win through five fixtures, but as a collective we recognised that it was important to keep our composure and understand the bigger picture.

There was an immediate response against the Sixers at Hurstville Oval, when Sophie Devine scored one of the more devastating hundreds in the competition's history to secure the win.

Her unforgettable 103 came from 68 deliveries and was supported sublimely by Beth Mooney (60).

The win was a major turning point for our season and kick-started a four-game winning streak.

The contribution from our middle order to chase down a competitive total of 137 in our next fixture against the Sixers breathed plenty of belief into our batting group.

While the dominance of Devine and Mooney at the top of the order was an obvious strength, it was pleasing to see the likes of Bolton and Piparo play valuable innings over the next block of fixtures.

In a tight competition, we went into the final match of the home and away season against the Adelaide Strikers with a huge opportunity to secure second spot on the ladder.

A bitterly disappointing loss relegated us to fourth place and gave us the tough assignment of facing the top-of-thetable Stars in the semi-final at North Sydney Oval.

It wasn't to be on the night, with the Stars proving too good.

Given the circumstances of the season we were thrilled to be playing in a semi-final, but we had further ambitions and believed we had the team to do it.

Sophie Devine and Beth Mooney in their first seasons at the club produced some remarkable performances.

Sophie's season saw her awarded Player of the Tournament,

Sarah Glenn was outstanding in her first WBBL competition and was the perfect fit for our club, you would have thought she was a Perth local the way she bonded with the side.

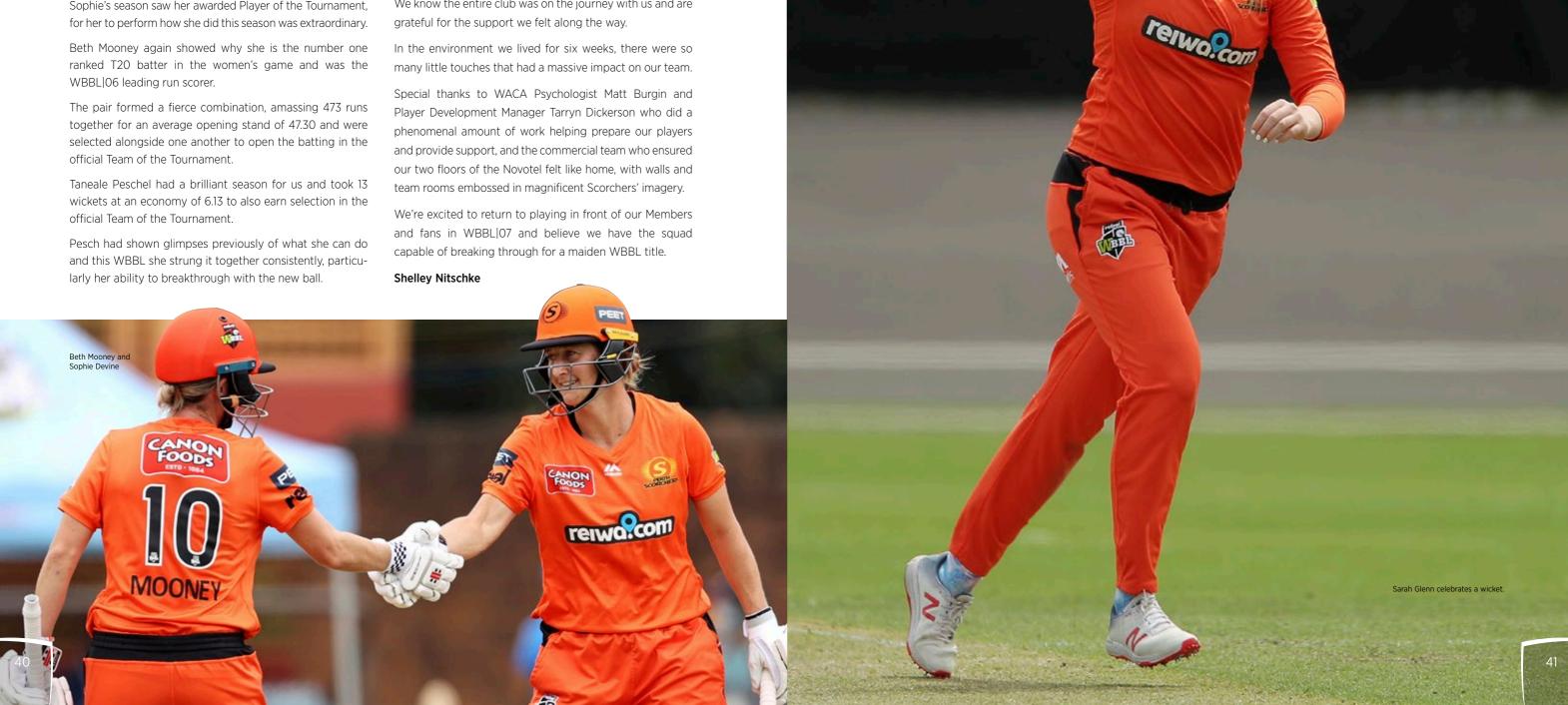
There is no doubt the village-style of living throughout the competition brought immense challenges for our players to deal with off the field.

While each club approached things differently, we navigated to the best of our ability with a strong emphasis on finding a balance between 'team time' and 'individual time'.

The experience and maturity of our group shone through over the course of the season and pulled the positives from every result, which was crucial given the nature of the hub.

I would like to thank the entire WACA organisation for their efforts in preparing our squad for the unknown of what was to come this year.

We know the entire club was on the journey with us and are



#### REBEL WOMEN'S BIG BASH LEAGUE

#### Perth Scorchers v Brisbane Heat

Perth Scorchers 7-132 (20.0) DEF BY Brisbane Heat 3-134 (17.0). Brisbane Heat win by 7 wickets. Mooney 37 Devine 26.

#### Perth Scorchers v Hobart Hurricanes

Match abandoned without a ball being bowled

#### Melbourne Renegades v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 0-62 (9.5) DEF Melbourne Renegades 5-105 (20.0). Scorchers win by 18 runs (D/L method). Devine 31\* Bolton 2-13.

#### Adelaide Strikers v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 1-25 (2.5) N/R Adelaide Strikers 4-70 (10.0). No Result. Peschel 2-5.

#### Perth Scorchers v Sydney Thunder

Perth Scorchers120 (19.4) DEF BY Sydney Thunder 4-144 (20.0). Thunder win by 24 runs. Mooney 61 Glenn 1-13.

#### Perth Scorchers v Melbourne Stars

Perth Scorchers 118 (20.0) DEF BY Melbourne Stars 2-120 (15.2). Stars win by 8 wickets. Graham 29 Cleary 1-13.

#### Sydney Sixers v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 4-183 (20.0) DEF Sydney Sixers 5-147 (20.0). Scorchers win by 36 runs. Devine 103 Mooney 60 Peschel 2-28.

#### Perth Scorchers v Sydney Sixers

Perth Scorchers 5-138 (19.1) DEF Sydney Sixers 4-137 (20.0). Scorchers win by 5 wickets. Mooney 75\* Peschel 1-25.

#### Perth Scorchers v Melbourne Renegades

Perth Scorchers 1-123 (14.5) DEF Melbourne Renegades 3-122 (20.0). Scorchers win by 9 wickets. Devine 77\* Piparo 33\* Peschel 2-17.

#### Sydney Thunder v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 8-131 (20.0) DEF Sydney Thunder 97 (18.3). Scorchers win by 34 runs. Devine 45 & 2-12 Graham 3-22.

#### Melbourne Stars v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 8-143 (20.0) DEF BY Melbourne Stars 8-149 (20.0). Stars win by 6 runs. Mooney 45 Bolton 3-25.

#### Brisbane Heat v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 8-137 (20.0) DEF BY Brisbane Heat 6-139 (19.2). Brisbane Heat won by 4 wickets. Mooney 49 Glenn 4-31 Carmichael 35.

#### **Hobart Hurricanes v Perth Scorchers**

Perth Scorchers 0-140 (14.4) DEF Hobart Hurricanes 6-134 (20.0). Scorchers won by 10 wickets. Devine 87\* Mooney 48\* Betts 2-24.

#### Perth Scorchers v Adelaide Strikers

Perth Scorchers 7-156 (20.0) DEF BY Adelaide Strikers 6-159. Strikers win by 3 runs. Mooney 60 Devine 57 Glenn 4-18

#### Semi-Final | Melbourne Stars v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 8-125 (20.0) DEF BY Melbourne Stars 3-127 (16.2). Stars win by 7 wickets. Bolton 32 Mooney 27.





#### **REBEL WOMEN'S BIG BASH LEAGUE STATISTICS**

TEAM	М	W	L	Т	N/R	PT
Melbourne Stars	14	8	3	-	3	19
Brisbane Heat	14	8	4	-	2	18
Sydney Thunder	14	7	5	-	2	16
Perth Scorchers	14	6	6	-	2	14
Sydney Sixers	14	6	6	-	2	14
Adelaide Strikers	14	6	7	-	1	13
Melbourne Renegades	14	4	8	-	2	10
Hobart Hurricanes	14	3	9	-	2	8

BATTING													
Player	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	BF	SR	100	50	-	4s	6s
BL Mooney	14	14	4	551	75*	55.1	468	117.73	-	4	-	54	5
SFM Devine	12	12	3	460	103	51.11	364	126.37	1	3	1	42	18
NE Bolton	14	11	2	134	32	14.88	145	92.41	-	-	-	11	-
C Piparo	14	10	1	117	33*	13	110	106.36	-	-	1	12	-
H Graham	13	9	1	103	29	12.87	113	91.15	-	-	-	9	-
M Carmichael	5	4	-	69	35	17.25	55	125.45	-	-	-	6	2
M Banting	11	8	1	44	18	6.28	43	102.32	-	-	2	4	1
AE Jones	6	4	-	39	25	9.75	49	79.59	-	-	-	2	-
S Glenn	14	8	2	35	19	5.83	33	106.06	-	-	3	3	-
LR Down	7	4	1	26	12	8.66	27	96.29	-	-	-	2	-
JL Barsby	12	6	1	25	7	5	33	75.75	-	-	-	2	-
T Peschel	14	7	5	12	3*	6	13	92.3	-	-	-	-	-
P Cleary	13	3	2	3	1*	3	4	75	-	-	-	-	-
SM Betts	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

BOWLING														
Player	Mat	Inns	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	BBI	Ave	Econ	SR	4	5	Ct	St
S Glenn	14	14	51.2	-	321	17	4-18	18.88	6.25	18.1	2	-	2	-
T Peschel	14	14	46	1	282	13	2-5	21.69	6.13	21.2	-	-	1	-
H Graham	13	13	43.3	-	300	12	3-22	25	6.89	21.7	-	-	5	-
NE Bolton	14	13	36.2	-	256	10	3-25	25.6	7.04	21.8	-	-	3	-
SFM Devine	12	10	23.2	-	170	6	2-12	28.33	7.28	23.3	-	-	7	-
SM Betts	5	5	16	-	101	3	2-24	33.66	6.31	32	-	-	1	-
P Cleary	13	13	27	-	198	3	1-8	66	7.33	54	-	-	2	-
JL Barsby	12	8	13	-	105	-	-	-	8.07	-	-	-	-	-
M Banting	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
M Carmichael	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
LR Down	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
AE Jones	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
BL Mooney	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	3
C Piparo	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-



Claremont-Nedlands snared an unprecedented sixth successive One-Day League title, while Wanneroo overcame the Tigers on the final day of the season to secure the prestigious Alcohol. Think Again 1st Grade premiership.



Claremont-Nedlands looked likely to secure a third consecutive Alcohol.Think Again Two-Day title but were instead sensationally ripped in half by a stunning Wanneroo bowling performance. The minor premiers had the match on their terms after dismissing Wanneroo for 119 on day one, thanks largely to Cameron Steel (3-12) and Tim David (3-14).

But the Roos flipped the script and bounced the Tigers' title aspirations with an inspired bowling performance. Caiden Eaton ripped through Claremont-Nedlands' prolific middle order, taking a match winning 6-26 to secure victory.

The Tigers had more joy in the One-Day League final, defeating Fremantle by 11 runs to make history with sixth consecutive premiership in the format. Claremont-Nedlands captain Nick Hobson was the star with the willow, scoring 105 before Joel Paris (2-32) led an even contribution in the field to secure the flag.

In the Alcohol. Think Again Premier T20 Final, South Perth defeated Mount Lawley by 33 runs under lights at the iconic WACA Ground. Cameron Gannon smashed a scintillating 64 from just 27 balls and found ample support from Brooke Guest (47) and Daniel Moore (45) in a first innings batting blitz for South Perth.

Claremont-Nedlands allrounder Brad Hope enjoyed a spectacular season and was named the Olly Cooley medalist with 21 votes.

In Women's Premier Cricket, Midland-Guildford claimed the Alcohol.Think Again A Grade One-Day competition, while Melville claimed the T20 flag.

A star-packed Subiaco-Floreat team was aiming to send retiring veteran Emma King off on a high in the One-Day final but were instead treated to a sublime Chloe Piparo century.

The WA skipper cracked an unbeaten 101 as Midland-Guildford posted an imposing 175-run total. It proved to be more than enough, as Subiaco-Floreat crumbled at the hands of Emily Rixon (5-19) and were dismissed for a measly 82, handing the Black Swans a comprehensive

The T20 final was a similarly one-sided affair, as Melville restricted South Perth to 7-90 through their 20 overs thanks to Ashlee King's 3-21. It was a comfortable chase for Melville who passed the total four wickets down with four overs to spare, with opener Amy Edgar top scoring (29).

Subiaco-Floreat stalwart Nicole Bolton was rewarded for an outstanding individual season, she polled 18 votes to be named the 2020-21 Karen Read medalist.

In the lower grades Melville won the B-Grade One-Day title while South Perth took out the B-Grade T20 flag.

Bayswater-Morley won the Second and Fourth Grade flags, Joondalup were crowned Third Grade Premiers, and Scarborough took out the Colts final.

The WACA is grateful for the ongoing support of the WADCC Management Committee, club officials, volunteers and Premier Cricket sponsors, led by Healthway.

#### **OLLY COOLEY MEDAL VOTING**

- 1. Bradley Hope (Claremont-Nedlands) 21 votes
- 2. Jake Carder (Fremantle) 20 votes
- 3. Nick Hobson (Claremont-Nedlands) 18 votes
- 4. Josh Nicholas (Perth) 16 votes
- 5. Waheguru Dhillon (Willetton) 14 votes

#### WADCC TEAM OF THE YEAR (MEN)

Jake Carder (Fremantle), Sam Whiteman (Fremantle), Nick Hobson (Claremont-Nedlands - C), Kelvin Smith (Wanneroo), Brad Hope (Claremont-Nedlands), Darius D'Silva (ML), Joel Curtis (Perth - WK), Waheguru Dhillon (Willetton), Craig Simmons (Rockingham-Mandurah), Josh Nicholas (Perth), Lachlan Tyler (Scarborough), Kyle Christie (Midland-Guildford - 12th).

#### **FULL LIST OF AWARDS**

Batting Average: Sam Whiteman (Fremantle) 685 runs at 97.86

**Batting Aggregate:** Nick Hobson (Claremont-Nedlands) 1.048 runs at 74.86

**Bowling Average:** Cameron Steel (Claremont-Nedlands) 41 wickets at 11.12

Bowling Aggregate: Josh Nicholas (Perth) 48 wickets

Kevin Sullivan Silver Cup: Claremont-Nedlands

Male Spirit of Cricket Award: Fremantle

Club Championship: Perth

Male Senior Coach of the Year: Joe Piromalli

Allan Edwards Trophy: Nick Hobson

(Claremont-Nedlands)

JP Robbins Medal: Eric Botha (South Perth) **Albert Ritchings Medal:** Aidan Enright (Perth) Alan Mackley Medal: Kris Elliot (Willeton)

Women's Grades Umpire of the Year: Kate Holloman

Best 1st Grade Umpire: Dean Trigg Best 2nd Grade Umpire: Nick Walters Best 3rd Grade Umpire: Stephen O'Dea Best 4th Grade Umpire: Bayley Lamont Roy Abbott Best Pitch Award: Lilac Hill 1

Most Improved Pitch Award: Stevens Reserve West Premier Club Administrator of the Year: Jack Bryant

(Claremont-Nedlands)

1st Grade Premiers: Wanneroo

One Day League Premiers: Claremont-Nedlands

Premier T20 Premiers: South Perth 2nd Grade Premiers: Bayswater-Morley 3rd Grade Premiers: Joondalup

4th Grade Premiers: Bayswater-Morley

Colts Premiers: Scarborough

#### KAREN READ MEDAL VOTING

- 1. Nicole Bolton (Subiaco-Floreat) 18 votes
- 2. Amy Edgar (Melville) 13 votes
- 3. Bree Hyde (Midland-Guildford) 12 votes
- 4. Mathilda Carmichael (Melville) 9 votes
- 5. Rebecca West (South Perth) 9 votes

#### WAFCC TEAM OF THE YEAR (WOMEN)

Nicole Bolton (Subiaco-Floreat), Gorgia Platten (Melville), Emily Hessell (South Perth), Caitlin Crocetta (South Perth), Chloe Wain (South Perth), Bree Hyde (Midland-Guildford), Lizzy Alderson (Subiaco-Floreat), Jacqui Naidoo (Subiaco-Floreat), Ashlee King (Melville), Natasha Wylie (Melville), Chloe Ainsworth (Melville), Sophie Brown (Midland-Guildford - 12th).

#### **FULL LIST OF AWARDS**

A Grade 50 Over Batting Aggregate: Nicole Bolton (Claremont-Nedlands)

A Grade 50 Over Bowling Aggregate: Bree Hyde (Midland-Guildford) 12 wickets at 15.42

A Grade 50 Over Champion Player: Nicole Bolton (Claremont-Nedlands) 499 runs at 249.50

A Grade T20 Batting Aggregate: Amy Edgar (Melville) 224 runs at 37.33

A Grade T20 Bowling Aggregate: Jacqueline Naidoo (Subiaco-Floreat) 11 wickets @ 12.00

A Grade T20 Champion Player: Amy Edgar (Melville)

Female Champion Club: Melville

Female Senior Coach of the Year: Paolo Franzoni (Melville)

Spirit of Cricket: Rockingham-Mandurah

Clare Papasergio Player of the Year: Chloe Ainsworth

(Melville)

(Melville)

**Jenny Owens Medal:** Caitlin Crocetta (South Perth) B Grade 40 Over Batting Aggregate: Caitlin Crocetta (South Perth) 311 runs at 77.75

**B** Grade 40 Over Bowling Aggregate: Sophie Brown (Midland-Guildford) 11 wickets at 7.00

B Grade 40 Over Champion Player: Caitlin Crocetta (South Perth)

B Grade T20 Batting Aggregate: Gorgia Platten

(Melville) 274 runs at 54.80

B Grade T20 Bowling Aggregate: Suman Yadav (Rockingham-Mandurah) 9 wickets @ 9.56 B Grade T20 Champion Player: Gorgia Platten

A Grade T20 Premiers: Melville

A Grade One Day Premiers: Midland-Guildford

B Grade T20 Premiers: South Perth B Grade One Day Premiers: Melville

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Despite the continued uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic, the cricket community in WA rallied and came together to deliver an outstanding season.

The broader impact of the pandemic on cricket across the State was inevitable and created significant, and at times, unavoidable issues.

The cancellation of competitions and programs were felt most acutely in indoor cricket and organised school competitions, with restrictions and resourcing impacting overall participation.

However, there were positive trends that have set a strong foundation for our game into the future.

The rising popularity of cricket for women and girls saw the biggest growth (+13%) in registered players in the country, and a significant (+28%) increase in girls playing Woolworths Cricket Blast (WWCB) and Junior Club Cricket.

Despite the pandemic, participation in both club cricket and the WWCB held strong on the back of a sharp increases last season, with 7,500 girls and boys registering for both the Junior and Master Blasters programs in what has become the cornerstone of introducing kids to cricket.

Participation numbers can be directly attributed to the outstanding efforts of clubs and associations across the State working in partnership with the WACA Community Cricket department and its Affiliates.

Ensuring cricket is a 'Sport for All' continues to be a priority for cricket in this State, and is driven by the support the WACA has been able to offer clubs through strong partnerships with Healthway, Autism Association of WA, Inclusion Solutions and the Insurance Commission of WA, as well as many other not for profit organisations doing great things in communities across WA

Similarly, the WA Cricket Foundation does an enormous amount of work to facilitate the expansion of programs for Aboriginal participants, people with disabilities, and cricket lovers from Multicultural backgrounds.

An incredible positive to come from a pandemic-struck season was the celebration of the resilience, willingness, and tireless efforts of WA's volunteers on the national stage.

At Cricket Australia's 2020-21 National Community Cricket Awards, four WA community cricket clubs were rewarded for outstanding achievements in their local communities.

The WACA was thrilled to see Leschenault Cricket Club named Australia's 2020-21 Community Cricket Club of the Year, while our congratulations also go to the Kingsley Woodvale Junior Cricket Club, the Bateman Junior Cricket Club and Bouncer Indoor Sports, who were all winners in their nominated categories.

# REDUCING HEAD TRAUMA ON AND OFF THE PITCH





The WACA and the Insurance Commission of Western Australia partner together to promote the Belt Up campaign, which encourages motorists to put on a seatbelt every time they get into a car. Wearing a seatbelt can reduce the severity of injury in a crash.

98 people were killed or seriously injured on WA roads last year while not wearing a seatbelt. Young men in regional areas remain overrepresented in vehicle crash and injury statistics.

Through the WACA's high participation rates in metro and regional areas, strong player networks and ties to the local community, the Belt Up message is communicated to raise public awareness at a grass-roots level.

Much like belting up, wearing a helmet out on the field significantly reduces the occurrence of head injuries during a game. In a bid to create safer environments for players, the Insurance Commission has provided over 2,000 Belt Up helmets to grass-roots community cricket clubs across WA. This supports the sport's objective to reduce head injuries on the field through the mandatory cricket helmet ruling that applies to community cricket across the country.

Last year, the Insurance Commission paid out around \$480 million to people injured in crashes on WA roads. Those costs are paid by the two million motorists insured by the Insurance Commission.

# INTEGRATED CRICKET LEAGUE

In addition to injury prevention, the Insurance Commission is also focused on increasing the independence of people injured on the road and at work. Returning home post-accident and accessing the community are goals that the Insurance Commission supports its claimants to achieve.

People with disability may face barriers in certain environments that prevent their inclusion in an activity. The Integrated Cricket League is an inclusive competition that modifies the game format and environment to provide opportunities for people with disability. There are 15 teams with up to 150 players playing cricket in the community every week. The Insurance Commission supports the Integrated Cricket League as part of the Belt Up campaign to encourage participation for people with disability. In the next 12 months, the Integrated Cricket League will be expanded to include 6 teams across metro and regional areas.

The Insurance Commission has provided the Integrated Cricket League with Belt Up branded independence-enabling kits including visual aids, helmets, and customised bats and balls to boost participation for the modified game format.

The inclusive sporting opportunities that are provided to people with disability through the Integrated Cricket League contribute to enabling independence and improving quality of life, which is a core focus for the Insurance Commission and its claimants.





The thousands of volunteers, School Ambassadors and other stakeholders who give countless hours to their communities are the fabric of cricket in WA and their invaluable commitment in the face of unpredictable challenges is greatly appreciated.

#### **FEMALE CRICKET**

There was an overall rise of 13.3% in registered female participation in WA this season, the largest increase across the country.

Junior girls' community cricket teams grew while there were girls-only competitions in the Midwest (Geraldton) and the Great Southern (Albany) regions for the first time.

The popularity of cricket among women, also continues to strengthen, with women's competitions growing right across the State. January 2021 saw any exciting milestone for Country Cricket, with the inaugural Country Cricket Women's Championships held in Geraldton, congratulations to all involved.

With continued increase in girls' participation, the focus is on creating sustainable pathways and development. Pleasingly, we have already seen a 28% growth in girls registering for WWCB and Junior Cricket, setting a strong foundation for next season.

#### ABORIGINAL CRICKET

Deadly Cricket experienced massive growth, up from 240 to 669 participants, while the New Norcia Invincibles Leadership Program also showed 10% growth, largely thanks to funding from the WA Cricket Foundation.

Significant funding was secured through the Woolworths Community Fund which enabled the delivery of 15 new WWCB programs across the State and attracted over 400 new Aboriginal participants to the game.

#### MULTICULTURAL CRICKET

WA continued to show what a diverse sport cricket is with over 38% of registered players identifying as being from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. This representation is consistent across WWCB, Junior Cricket and Senior Cricket, as well as school programs. The highlight of the season was the program at the Australian Islamic College in Kewdale, which saw over 150 students take part in a WWCB program.

The Perth Scorchers Culture Cup was revamped this season, with greater focus on talent identification and rewarding top performing players from all teams. From the Culture Cup, a squad of players were chosen for the Culture Cup Representative Team, which successfully qualified for the Statewide T20 competition.

#### **DISABILITY CRICKET**

The WACA aims to support community clubs to offer safe and meaningful opportunities for people with disability to play cricket, while exhibiting a commitment to inclusion within the club community. This has helped to ensure that participants in the programs keep coming back and feel both welcomed and valued in their club.

Funding from the WA Cricket Foundation and the Insurance Commission of WA has provided important support to be able to continue to expand both the Star Blast Program and Integrated Cricket League.



#### **CRICKET IN SCHOOLS**

The Perth Scorchers High School Girls' Competition continues to grow, with 12 teams entering this season. Eastern Hill's Senior High School won the Year 7-8 division, while Carine Senior High School won the Year 9-10 division.

Belridge Secondary College beat Dalyalup College in the final to win the Kim Hughes Shield, while Carine Senior High was again victorious in the Graeme Wood Shield, defeating Mazenod College in the final.

While the delivery of cricket programs in schools was impacted this season, teachers continued to play an important role in providing kids access to cricket programs as part of their curriculum.

#### JUNIOR PATHWAY CRICKET

The Woolworths Community Fund helped extend the reach of the WWCB this season, with the entry level program recording 7,500 participants, over half of which were new registrations. The WWCB program continues to be developed and adapted, with new four-week pop-up programs allowing flexibility and promotion to extend school and community programs.

The formats now embedded in all junior competitions continue to make a positive impact on the experience of boys and girls. These modified formats across three stages are helping to attract more kids to the game and provide a much better progression for kids based on age as well as skill level.

Once again School Holiday programs were delivered over the summer, with a central WACA program very well received.

#### **COUNTRY CRICKET**

In a major achievement for the Country Cricket Board, their innovation and leadership led to the first ever staging of Women's Country Week, some 112 years after the men first played. Hosted by the Geraldton Cricket Board, the competition involved seven teams from as far north as Port Hedland and included a combined Kalgoorlie/Albany side from the southern and eastern parts of the State.

Thanks to the Woolworths Community Fund, remote funding saw a 36% growth in numbers in Cricket Blast, with our cricket footprint expanding into remote locations including Derby, Hopetoun, Leinster, Leonora, Mingenew, and Ravensthorpe.

#### COACH DEVELOPMENT

Over 400 coaches gained accreditation this season and are now ready to inspire the next generation of junior cricketers. Along with accreditation courses, WACA staff delivered several skill development coaching workshops, partnering with the Australian Cricket Associations (ACA) Past Players' program.

Additionally, the role of a coach coordinator in clubs was created and promoted to provide extra support for community coaches. The coach coordinator provides a voice to support coach development, deliver specific local workshops and ensure that coach education and development continues to be on the agenda for all volunteers.

#### INDOOR CRICKET

The affiliation and partnership with Indoor Sports Western Australia and Indoor Cricket continues to be an important format of cricket that has provided new opportunities to play cricket all year round.

This year, Indoor Cricket participation was most impacted by the pandemic with centres having to close for extended periods of time. Despite this, it was pleasing to see new cricket programs played at indoor cricket centres across WA including the adoption of more centres delivering the WWCB program and integrating junior cricket formats.

#### **VOLUNTEERS**

The WA Community Cricket Awards night was held at the WACA Ground in March to celebrate the efforts of volunteers in our State. Over 160 guests enjoyed pre dinner drinks on the Ground before a formal dinner and presentations in the Boundary Room.

The awards encompassed the achievements of volunteers in community clubs, as well as the important school partnerships and club initiatives.

The WACA received more than 220 nominations across 14 award categories and the winners of the 2020-21 WA Community Cricket Awards were as follows:

#### Metropolitan Volunteer of the Year - Male

David King - Thornlie Cricket Club

#### Metropolitan Volunteer of the Year - Female

Vicki-Lee Pride - Doubleview Carine Junior Cricket Club

#### Country Volunteer of the Year - Male

Jono Smaill - Newman Cricket Association

#### Country Volunteer of the Year - Female

Adele Given - Leschenault Cricket Club

#### Young Volunteer of the Year

Jarrod Hansen - Collingwood Park Cricket Club

#### Junior Community Cricket Club of the Year

Mandurah Junior Cricket Club

#### Senior Community Cricket Club of the Year

Lesmurdie-Mazenod Cricket Club

#### Country Cricket Club of the Year

Leschenault Cricket Club

#### Community Partnership of the Year

Kingsley Woodvale Junior Cricket Club

#### Advancing Cricket for Females Award

Geraldton Regional Cricket Board

#### Inclusion and Diversity Award

Bateman Junior Cricket Club

#### Junior Community Cricket Coach of the Year

Tom Westwood - Noranda Junior Cricket Club

#### Woolworths Cricket Blast Coordinator of the Year

David Anderson - Subiaco Marist Junior Cricket Club James Gardner - Armadale Cricket Club

#### School Ambassador of the Year

Blake Anderson - Georgina Molloy Anglican School (Busselton)

#### CRICKET AUSTRALIA'S NATIONAL COMMUNITY CRICKET AWARDS

Four Western Australian community cricket clubs received top honours at the Cricket Australia 2020-21 National Community Cricket Awards for outstanding achievements in their local communities.

#### 2020-21 Community Cricket National Award Winners:

#### Community Cricket Club of the Year

Leschenault Cricket Club

#### Community Partnership of the Year

Kingsley Woodvale Junior Cricket Club

#### Inclusion and Diversity Initiative of the Year

Bateman Junior Cricket Club

#### Indoor Facility of the Year

**Bouncer Indoor Sports** 

Congratulations must also go to the Geraldton Regional Cricket Board, who were runners-up in the Women and Girls Initiative of the Year for their commitment to growing opportunities for women and girls playing cricket.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

The WACA acknowledges the work and support of its Affiliate groups, their members, clubs and associations, as well as the School Ambassadors and thousands of dedicated volunteers who work tirelessly to ensure community cricket across our State continues to grow in a healthy, inclusive and sustainable way.



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INDOOR CRICKET PARTICIPANTS

16,400



WA REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS

WA
61,000
TOTAL

#### **MEMBER EVENTS**

In a season impacted by COVID-19, the WACA Membership team hosted a range of exclusive events which received overwhelming support from Members and their guests.

Champions Club Members participated in an inner-sanctum experience during the lunch break of the Marsh One-Day Cup match in the Bradman Room at the WACA Ground on March 23, 2021. Champions Club Members and guests were treated to a question-and-answer session with Josh Philippe and D'Arcy Short, who had just completed 14 days of quarantine following the Australian T20 tour of New Zealand.

A special luncheon was held in the Wally Edwards Room on April 3 during the Marsh Sheffield Shield match against Tasmania to recognise the Life and Loyalty Members who achieved their 50 plus year milestones. A certificate was presented to each Member from WACA Chair the Hon. Tuck Waldron and WACA CEO Christina Matthews to recognise their loyalty and support over many years.

A WACA Members appreciation barbecue was held on April 8 during the final home game of the summer in Langer's Loft to thank Members for their support throughout the season. Members received gifts on the day and were treated to an exclusive interview and a question-and-answer session with WACA Turf Manager Nathan Saville in the middle of the hallowed WACA Ground turf.

#### SUPERB SUPPORT FOR SCORCHERS

The loyal and passionate Perth Scorchers supporter base led the KFC Big Bash League attendance figures in a heavily pandemic-impacted BBL season.

Over 100,000 Members and fans attended the four Scorchers matches and a neutral match at Optus Stadium across nine days in early January. With crowds limited across the country, Perth turned out in droves to support their Scorchers to an unbeaten home-streak that kickstarted the Club's surge into the BBL|10 Finals.

Perth Scorchers' Indigenous themed round against the Melbourne Renegades on January 3 was a special occasion at Optus Stadium. The fixture showcased WA Cricket's commitment to the rich Aboriginal cricket culture and featured a Welcome to Country and two amazing live performances by Aboriginal musical duo Gina and Guy, pre-match and at the innings break.

The 'Disco Inferno' concept was again met with success on Saturday 9 January against the Sydney Thunder. Fans, young and old, danced the night away to their top disco tracks from yesteryear.

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The Western Australia Cricket Association and Cricket Australia are investing more than ever into community cricket facilities.

#### CRICKET INFRASTRUCTURE IN WA

Community cricket clubs around Western Australia can secure their future with nearly \$2.4 million in cricket facility projects being generated through the 2020-21 Australian Cricket Infrastructure Fund (ACIF).

The ACIF is open to all clubs, associations, schools, councils, and cricket facility managers and provides funding for community cricket facility projects, with a focus on growing participation and promoting accessibility and inclusivity.

Improving the infrastructure for growing clubs represents Cricket's continued commitment to developing grassroots cricket across the State.

Since 2018-19, the ACIF has provided funding to 75 cricket infrastructure projects in WA, delivering a partnered investment of almost \$25 million in total project value.

Chittering Junior Cricket Club is one of 15 successful ACIF funding recipients in the 2020-21 season and will receive significant upgrades to their club facilities on the horizon.

Chittering's upgrades will provide modern inclusive changerooms that cater for the entire community, including disabled and female members with more privacy and safe changerooms for participants to utilise. The project will also provide a much larger social space to cater for large events.

The club has seen huge growth recently, last year recording a 25% increase in junior boys teams, a 20% increase in Woolworths Cricket Blast participants and an increase in junior girls participation, while it is exploring an offering for Senior Women's cricket.

The WACA is grateful to Local Governments in WA, Cricket Australia and the Australian Cricketers' Association (ACA) for their continued investment in community sporting facilities and the support they provided to facilitate cricket participation.

A new round of the ACIF for 2021-22 is due to open in October 2021, with cricket clubs and associations, councils and schools encouraged to identify project plans that can be moved forward with ACIF funding support.

#### 2020-21 Commercial Partners

WACA	
Platinum Partner	alcohol thinkagain healthway
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Thank you to all of the WACA and Perth Scorchers Commercial Partners for their ongoing involvement and support of Western Australian cricket.

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Recognised for their contribution and service to cricket, receiving Honorary Life Membership to the Western Australian Cricket Association.

#### **COLIN MINSON**

Colin Minson has been the voice of Western Australian cricket for the past three decades and has almost certainly done more than any other individual over that period to promote cricket through the media in this State.

In a newspaper interview in 1998, Colin Minson said "Where some people dedicate themselves to a club, thanks to radio, I can keep people informed about what is happening at the top level. You've got to keep telling people what a wonderful game cricket is and that's just what I do."

After volunteer stints at commercial and community radio stations 6PR, 6NR, 6AR and Radio Fremantle, Colin became the main cricket commentator at SportFM which provides ball-by-ball coverage of State and club cricket.

A weekend volunteer at 6NR who collated scores from State and club games, Colin negotiated a deal to cover WA's interstate matches to ensure that WA cricket fans were not denied live coverage of significant events.

Colin is now on the verge of calling his 300th Sheffield Shield match as well as extending a lifelong and unbroken commitment to club and grassroots cricket that started when he was a boy.

His time as an energetic committee member at the West Perth and Rockingham/Mandurah Clubs underlines that commitment.

As SportFM Chair, Colin plays the major role in raising funds to ensure the coverage goes to air, organises broadcasts, manages the on-air programmes, seeks and develops talent, liaises with State Associations and ground managers, and addresses logistical challenges of covering matches around Australia.

#### **DAVID WILLIAMS**

David Williams was Chair of the WACA for nearly nine years, from September 2004 to August 2013.

He and his Board revolutionised the way the WACA ran its operations after inheriting an organisation that had debts of \$13 million.

Under David's leadership the WACA had an overhaul, paying close attention to expenditure cuts with increased funding to cricket operations through the number of coaches and cricket officers in the field.

The WACA invested what at the time was record amounts in grassroots cricket under David's leadership.

From a financial viewpoint, the WACA's situation changed so that, by the time of David's resignation, the WACA had cash reserves of \$13 million.

He was also responsible for two crucial WACA governance reforms. In 2007, affiliation agreements were entered into

between the WACA and key cricket bodies in WA, which required David to guide through substantial complex amendments to the WACA Constitution.

In the face of some strong opposition, David skilfully led the negotiations which resulted in the passing of the desired amendments.

Under the second reform in 2012 David led the way in having the size of the WACA Board reduced from 15 to 12 members, while retaining the 60:20:20 ratio between member-elected, WA District Competition, Statewide Game Development Committee representatives, and two independent representatives with the view to address both cricket and business objectives.

David's period as WACA Chairman was significant for his extraordinary energy and considerable intellect and his all-consuming desire to do the best for WA cricket and cricketers.



#### **JANICE LAW-DAVIS**

Janice (Jan) Law-Davis' career in cricket is defined by her service to others, the spirit in which she played the game and her love of cricket itself.

Jan started her career with Subiaco in 1963-64 and by her second year was selected to play for Western Australia as a top-order batter and opening bowler. She continued to represent WA until 1981-82.

Jan captained WA for five seasons, vice-captained for three for a further three served as a selector for WA teams throughout her playing career.

Jan represented WA against the 1968 visiting English team and was chosen as a member of the Composite XI to play

England. She was vice-captain against the visiting New Zealand team in 1972 and was captain of WA against the Combined Australian Universities team in Perth in 1972.

Jan served in almost every capacity during her 20 years in cricket: president, vice-president, treasurer, assistant secretary, selector, club delegate, player and committee member.

Jan's self-effacing nature and willingness to always put others ahead of herself has underpinned her incredible commitment to cricket in this State.



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With only 31 inductees across a rich 136-year history, induction into the Gallery of Greats is the highest honour the WACA can bestow upon a person.

#### **MICHAEL HUSSEY**

#### Player

After serving one of the longest apprenticeships in Australian cricket, Michael made his Test debut in November 2005, 11 years after first playing for Western Australia, during which time he had accumulated over 10,000 First-Class runs.

A stylish left-hander, he made a century at the top of the order in his second Test before becoming a regular member of the Australian middle-order.

In 79 Tests, he scored 6,235 runs at an average of 51.5 with 19 centuries and was a member of the team that beat England 5-0 in the 2006-07 Ashes series.

He was a cornerstone of the Australia's One-Day International side between 2004-12, scoring 5,442 runs at an average of 48.1 and won the 2007 ICC World Cup.

He averaged 38.0 from his 38 T20 internationals, including a 24-ball 60 not out that took Australia into the ICC 2010 World Cup Final.

Twice a member of winning Sheffield Shield teams, Michael played 112 matches for Western Australia, scoring 8,007 runs at 41.1 with 16 centuries and a highest score of 223 not out.

Renowned for his level of concentration and accumulation of runs, he scored three triple centuries in English county cricket, the only Australian do have done so.

His monastic devotion to his craft, saw him earn the nickname, 'Mr Cricket'.

#### PETA VERCO (NEE COOK)

#### Player, Coach and Administrator

A product of regional Western Australia, Peta went on to become the State's most capped female Test cricketer.

She made her Test debut against India in Perth in 1977 as a medium pace bowler, batting at number nine.

She later became a compact right-hand opener, while a shoulder injury resulted in her becoming an off-spin bowler.

Her highest Test score of 105 against India in Ahmedabad came in a four-Test series where she averaged 61.2.

In 13 Tests she scored 765 runs at an average 40.3 and claimed 21 wickets at 23.4

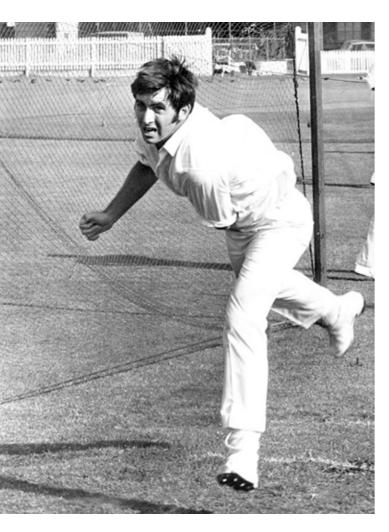
Peta played 20 One-Day Internationals, winning two ICC World Cups in 1978 and 1982.

She was a stalwart and a leader of the Western Australian team for over a decade and scored 1,956 runs at 29.3 to go with 65 wickets at 26.1.

She also captained and coached several women's clubs in Perth and was a leading administrator within the sport.

Her outstanding contribution to the game saw her awarded Honorary Life Membership of the MCC in 2017, the fifth Australian woman to be accorded the honour.

#### **Obituaries**



#### JOHN BRYANT (SAM) GANNON

Sam Gannon will forever be remembered for his immense contribution to cricket in WA, where he served in many roles including as a player, administrator, and philanthropist.

A fast and highly aggressive left-armer with a classical action, Gannon played three Tests in 1977-78 during the World Series Cricket era, highlighted by a debut in front of his home fans at the WACA Ground in 1977.

In his First-Class debut for WA in 1966 Gannon took three wickets against Victoria and by the time of his retirement as a player during the 1978-79 season, the left-arm paceman had claimed 117 wickets across 40 First-Class games.

Gannon formed part of three successful Sheffield Shield-winning squads during a golden era of Western Australian cricket.

Following his career on the field, Gannon moved into the role of WACA Board Deputy Chair from 2004 to 2013 and took on the position of Chair from 2013 to 2015 before his retirement.

During his time as WACA Chair he played a pivotal role in the development of the WACA Vision 2030 blueprint, which included cricket's move to Optus Stadium and the improvement plans for the WACA Ground to become a modern, boutique community venue.

Gannon was made an OAM in 2017 for services to cricket

He passed away at age 73 in on February 5, 2021.

#### HARTLEY JOYNT

Top-order batter Joynt played 16 First-Class matches for Western Australia across five seasons, including a memorable debut against the West Indies in 1960 at the WACA Ground.



It was a baptism of fire for the 22-year-old Joynt, who

faced a fearsome Windies line-up that included the likes of Sir Garfield Sobers and Sir Frank Worrall.

In the second innings, Joynt stood tall with a composed 48 that helped WA to a famous 94 run victory over the highly

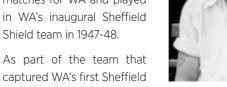
Joynt went on to score 525 runs in his First-Class career at an average of 16.93, including three half centuries.

In a First-Class match for a Combined XI against South Africa at the WACA Ground in 1963. Jovnt scored a defiant 82 on the final day, his highest First-Class score, to help the home side avoid defeat.

Hartley passed away in May at the age of 82.

#### FRED BUTTSWORTH

A brilliant all-round sportsman, Fred Buttsworth played eight First-Class matches for WA and played in WA's inaugural Sheffield Shield team in 1947-48.



captured WA's first Sheffield Shield title that season, the

right-hand bat will forever be part of the rich and proud history of cricket in this State.

Despite being dropped after WA's first game of the Shield campaign, Buttsworth returned in the final match against

Queensland at the Gabba, where a valuable 60 with the bat contributed to a victory that ensured WA secured the Shield.

Across his eight matches for WA, Buttsworth scored 343 runs at an average of 22.86.

A solid right-hand batsman who stroked the ball effortlessly, Buttsworth played 14 seasons with North Perth, scoring 6,434 runs at an average of 36.76 with 13 centuries.

Fred passed away in in May at the age of 93.



#### JOAN ANDERSON

A middle order batter and spin bowler. Joan Anderson became the 81st woman to represent Western Australia when she debuted for the State in 1963-64.

Anderson played for WA across four Women's Cricket Championships, captaining the State team at the 1966-67 competition in Adelaide.

A proud contributor to cricket off the field, Joan served on Western Australia Women's Cricket Association (WAWCA) committees throughout the 1960s and 1970s and was elected WAWCA Junior Vice President in 1967-68.

Anderson also served as a WA selector in the 1979-80 season, and was a prominent member of the former Willows Club.

Joan passed away on September 1 at the age of 81.

#### In Memoriam

The Western Australian Cricket Association extends sincere sympathy to the family and friends of the following Members for whom we have advice of their untimely passing during 2020-21.

Any omission in failing to acknowledge the passing of a valued Member is sincerely regretted.

Reginald W. Armstrong Charles L. Bladen Jonathan K. Clarke Oscar D. Dixon David M. Evans John B. Evans Murray N. Ford John (Sam) B. Gannon Robert Grimm Michael Harben Ivan P. Lally Peter K. Lalor John M. Leach John E. Moon Alison J. Newark James Newbound Vincent Oswald Kenneth Pages-Oliver John Paterson Antony C. Rawson Glenis Stephenson

Kim J. Taggart

Elwyn V. Taylor

Kingsley W. Waterhouse





# Financial Summary

### Western Australian Cricket Association Limited FINANCIAL SUMMARY

For the year ended 30 June 2021

The 2020-21 financial year was a year impacted by the Coronavirus (COVID-19) global health pandemic with limited cricket content in Western Australia due to the inability to have mass gatherings, the various guarantine laws to enter each state and strict COVID-19 guidelines. Due to this, no international cricket was played in Western Australia and only 5 Big Bash League (BBL) games (4 home games and 1 neutral game) were played at Optus Stadium. The WACA would like to thank all Members for their support, loyalty and passion for supporting the WACA through such a difficult year.

To combat COVID-19 the WACA developed a plan to protect cash reserves, the assets of the WACA and all forms of cricket (grassroots, community cricket, diversity and inclusion programs and elite performance across the State). With strong cash reserves held by the WACA, a strategic, timed and people first approach was taken to reset the business to tackle the challenges in 2020-21.

The impact to revenue due to COVID-19 in 2020-21 were:

- Reduced Cricket Australia funding by 12.5%;
- Reduced cricket fixtures (no International matches and only 4 Perth Scorchers home matches) due to COVID-19 Government restrictions reducing match revenue by 40%;
- Reduction and refund in membership fees and reduced member numbers due to cricket content being compromised resulting in a reduction in membership revenue by 65%;
- Reduction in WACA Ground function related revenue by 45%;

- Reduction in interest earned by 65% \$2,167,938 in 2020-21) due to member due to soft interest rate markets; refunds, crediting member fees into
- The receipt of \$2,512,950 in JobKeeper helping retain staff and enabling the WACA to support cricket programs;

To minimise the risks of the BBL season due to COVID-19 impacts such as no crowds and state boarder closures, a united Australian Cricket approach was taken by pooling all BBL revenue (i.e. ticketing, corporate hospitality) and expenses (i.e. match and event costs) with all BBL teams sharing all the net costs of operating the season.

As a result of COVID-19 and to look into the future, the WACA conducted a detailed review of the membership offering and concluded that a Tiered Membership Model be introduced to ensure a sustainable future.

The improved Tiered Membership Model enables the WACA Ground to be the platform for membership and takes into account cricket played at Optus Stadium and the WACA Ground. This new model also addresses the current pandemic and the economic climate by having a lower price point into membership in the 2020-21 season.

The membership and guest card numbers this year were 12,273 down on 14,597 last year (or 16%) in a year impacted by COVID-19. In the current climate this was a great result and all Members and guests continued to enjoy the WACA Members Reserve area at Optus Stadium and/or the WACA Ground with excellent viewing with Member only bars and facilities. Although membership and guest card numbers were down only 16%, membership revenue was down 65% (from \$6,118,128 in 2019-20 to

\$2,167,938 in 2020-21) due to member refunds, crediting member fees into 2021-22 season and not having Perth Scorchers seated memberships.

The WACA continued to invest in cricket in WA across all forms of cricket in men's and women's elite teams, junior pathways and community cricket (including grass roots, disability, aboriginal and veterans).

In order to protect cash reserves, costs were closely managed resulting in a reduction of \$6,333,756 in expenditure in 2020-21.

The impact of COVID-19 in the 2020-21 financial year resulted in:

- Revenue and other income of \$32,529,945 down \$6,037,419 (or 16%) on last year;
- Expenditure of \$31,983,020 down \$6,333,756 (or 17%) on last year.

This resulted in a surplus from operating activities of \$546,925 (compared to a surplus last year of \$250,588).

The goal to protect cash reserves was achieved with a closing cash balance of \$19,648,579. The cash balance is broken up between WACA business as usual operations of \$17,689,001 and funding received for the WACA Ground Improvement Project of \$1,959,557. The positive cashflow helps the WACA be in a good position to combat all the COVID-19 challenges that lay ahead.

Please find attached the following summaries:

- Profit and Loss Statement
- Balance Sheet
- Cash Flow Statement

The full set of financial statements are presented in the 2020-21 Western Australian Cricket Association Limited Financial Statements - Annual Report.

## Financial Summary PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT

For the year ended 30 June 2021

	2021 (\$000's)	<b>2020</b> (\$000's)
REVENUE		
Revenue Other Income	29,747 2,783	38,348 219
Employee benefit expenses Match & event expenses Equipments & maintenance expense Travel & entertainment expense Contractors & consultants expense Administration expense Promotion & advertising expense Other expenses Grants to affiliate bodies Interest expense Depreciation	(17,674) (4,682) (2,449) (977) (1,671) (1,201) (401) (1,101) (1,184) (11) (632)	(20,011) (6,527) (2,310) (2,038) (2,017) (1,384) (989) (1,323) (1,308) (12) (398)
Profit for the period	547	251
Other Comprehensive Income / (Expenses)	-	
Total Comprehensive Income / (Deficit)	547	251

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#### Financial Summary

#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2021

	<b>2021</b> (\$000's)	<b>2020</b> (\$000's)
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	19,649	15,465
Trade and other receivables	110	230
Inventories Other current assets	5 30	22
Total current assets	19,793	15,717
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, plant and equipment	3,798	1,807
Total non-current assets	3,798	1,807
Total Assets	23,591	17,524
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	6,130	4,577
Lease liabilities	64	63
Provisions Deferred income	1,371 4,136	1,280 226
Total current liabilities	11,700	6,146
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	,	
Lease liabilities	360	409
Provisions	216	201
Total non-current liabilities	576	610
Total liabilities	12,276	6,756
NET ASSETS	11,315	10,768
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Accumulated Surplus	11,315	10,768
Total Accumulated funds	11,315	10,768

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#### Financial Summary STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS For the year ended 30 June 2021

	<b>2021</b> (\$000's)	<b>2020</b> (\$000's)
	(\$0003)	(\$0003)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash receipts in the course of operations	33,969	39,488
Cash payments in the course of operations	(29,695)	(39,443)
Job Keeper received	2,513	-
Interest received	78	219
Net cash provided by operating activities	6,865	264
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	-
Payments for property, plant and equipment	(2,616)	(546)
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,616)	(546)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Lease liability repayment	(65)	(65)
Net cash (used in) financing activities	(65)	(65)
Net cash (used in) illiancing activities	(03)	(03)
Net increase in cash held	4,183	(347)
Cash at the beginning of the financial year	15,465	15,812
Cash at the end of the financial year	19,649	15,465

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