

North Otago Cricket Association

Newsletter 1: [2006-07 season]

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Visit by the Volts:

A highlight of the early part of the season was a very successful visit from the Otago Volts road show. The Volts were involved in school visits and some age group coaching. The Oamaru club wicket used in the 20/20 match against North Otago played very well with some lusty hitting in evidence from both sides.



The Volts visiting Totara, Craig Smith's old school

Age group Teams:

Under 17's

A youthful North Otago Under 17 squad competed in the Regional Tournament held over Labour weekend. Regular Friday trainings took place, combined with a very useful school holiday programme at the Otago Cricket's High Performance Centre. Preparation was completed with practice matches against Union & Dunedin Metro and a coaching session with the Otago Volts. Although all three tournament matches were lost, the team improved with every game. There were some good individual performances from James Ferris, Sam McHugh and Chris Ware. Sam and James were selected for a final trial for Otago under 17's. Coach Bruce Sewell believes the tournament was more successful than the results indicated as most of the team are eligible again in 2007 and will benefit from the experience.

Under 15 Boys:

The North Otago Team named for the Under 15 Boys tournament to be played in Alexandra from the 18th to 21st December is:

Jordan Horrell [C], Shaun Todd, Chris Ware, Brad McKenzie, Craig Robertson, Matt Pennycuik, [WBHS] Ben Cant, Sean Conlan, Peter O'Malley, [SKC] James Grubb, Liam Jenkinson, [EOH] Cameron Gray, [OBH]

The boys have been training well for the tournament and have had some useful work outs in their practice matches.

Selector: Graeme Dickinson

Managers: Barry Ware & Andy Direen

Coach: Tony Gray

Senior Reps:

It has been very much a development season for the senior North Otago side with schoolboys James Ferris, Peter Breen, Robbie Smith, Hamish Grant and Glen Paterson being included in the squad. Great to see David Sewell making himself available, having earlier retired from the first class scene after a distinguished career. The experienced core included draft player Jared Waldron, Mark Patterson, James Lovelock and Geoff Smith. The team has struggled to score adequate runs but results aside, they have trained hard, combined well and actually had both Southland and Otago Country in vulnerable positions in the Hawke cup games, before losing outright. The challenge is to score enough runs to be competitive in the remaining games.

Club competition highlights:

Borton Cup points: [as at Christmas]

Valley	50	Union	50	Albion	40
Oamaru	20	SKC	20	WBHS	0

Valley set the pace in the early games of the Borton Cup. Union struck form at the right time leading up to Xmas with some good wins. Of the chasing teams, Albion and Oamaru look the best chance of making the semis in March.

Club personality:

John Crombie



A former St Kevins' College 1st XI player and North Otago representative, John currently holds the Union Club record for best bowling figures in a match, taking 15-54 against St Kevins' College 1st XI [30th Oct. 1993].

Since debuting in 1985, John has taken 364 wickets in senior cricket and scored nearly 3000 runs. Currently on one of his most impressive comebacks, John has been in a rich vein of form pre Xmas.

**Profile: Derek Walker**

Derek is the Cricket Development Officer for North Otago. Currently on the NZ First Class Umpires panel, he represented Otago during the 1980's with considerable success as well as spending several seasons playing in England.

Down Memory Lane!

Younger players will perhaps be surprised to learn that the West Indies played North Otago in Oamaru in 1956 while on their NZ tour. The venue was the back field at Waitaki Boys High School. The West Indies team included some famous names including the greatest player of his era, **Garfield Sobers**. The home team was captained by the outstanding NZ player **John Reid**. For the record, West Indies won comfortably by 174 runs. The excellent wicket block was later destroyed when a water pipe burst. As well, coastal subsidence reclaimed part of the outfield. Cricket then shifted to the front of the school at Milner Park

Scorecard:North Otago

<i>R Bean</i>	<i>b Dewdney</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>H Balk c Goddard</i>	<i>b Smith</i>	<i>24</i>
<i>J R Reid c de Peiaza</i>	<i>b Dewdney</i>	<i>28</i>
<i>D Malloch</i>	<i>b Dewdney</i>	<i>36</i>
<i>I T Geddes</i>	<i>b Dewdney</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>B Carleton</i>	<i>b Sobers</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>J Watson</i>	<i>b Sobers</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>K Murray lbw</i>	<i>b Dewdney</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>R Malloch c De Peiaza</i>	<i>b Dewdney</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>R Hannan lbw</i>	<i>b Dewdney</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>M Collings not</i>		<u><i>11</i></u>
<i>Total</i>		<u><i>108</i></u>

Bowling: T Dewdney 7/35, G Sobers 2/19

West Indies

<i>A P Binns c Reid</i>	<i>b Murray</i>	<i>57</i>
<i>H Pairaudeau st Geddes</i>	<i>b Hannan</i>	<i>63</i>
<i>G O Smith c Watson</i>	<i>b Hannan</i>	<i>35</i>
<i>G Sobers</i>	<i>b Hannan</i>	<i>23</i>
<i>D Atkinson c Reid</i>	<i>b Hannan</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>A T Roberts run out</i>		<i>4</i>
<i>C C De Peiaza run out</i>		<i>60</i>
<i>J D Goddard not out</i>		<i>21</i>
<i>Extras</i>		<u><i>13</i></u>
<i>Total 7 wickets</i>		<u><i>282</i></u>

Bowling: R Hannan 4/57

South Island Primary Tournament – Jan 2007

Oamaru is hosting the 44th South Island Primary School Cricket Tournament from 8th till 12th January 2007. The tournament will be held at Centennial Park, St Kevins' College and Waitaki Boys' High School with three wickets at each venue.

The teams involved are: Southland, Southland Country, Dunedin, Otago Country, North Otago, South Canterbury, Mid Canterbury, Canterbury Country, Christchurch x2, Marlborough, Buller, West Coast and Nelson

The North Otago team is:

Tom Squire, Hayden Tisdall, Daniel Cook, Paul Holmes, Lachlan Kingan, Matt Day, Matthew McLelland, Cameron Grubb, Shaun Robertson, Dylan Stuart, Daniel Adams, Sam Aitkin & Jake Day.
Manager: Barry Kingan
Coaches: Jeff Grubb / Geoff McLelland

Congratulations to all players on their selection.

North Otago are drawn to play Dunedin Metro, Christchurch Red, Otago Country, Canterbury Country, & West Coast.

The tournament committee, led by Ted Tempero has been working hard to ensure a great week of cricket.

We need you!

We are still looking for umpires for the South Island Primary Tournament [Jan 8-12th]. Umpires receive \$20 a day. If you can help for all or part of the week please email Derek Walker at: derekwalker@ihug.co.nz