



## 2019/20 Junior Cricket Season Summary and Awards

Hello to you all,

Whilst I would have liked to commence this presentation in our Clubrooms, with the smell of party pies and sausage rolls wafting across the room, COVID-19 has unfortunately removed that possibility from us all. However, it is important that we acknowledge some of the great performances that have occurred during the 2019/20 season.

Before doing so, may I start with a round of thanks to those people who have made this season possible for our lads.

Our coaching group of James Greenwell, Matthew Chapman, Ben Higgins, Tim Hoffman and Tim Dyer, ably supported by Oscar and Will Forster on Wednesday afternoons, have spent many hours running training and managing game days. I trust you all join me in thanking them for their efforts and service to the GDCC. It is appreciated.

I'd like to also thank the other members of the Junior Committee - Paul Angley, Cam Blizzard, David Dunne, James Greenwell, Sarah Nunn, Ben Pike and Andrew Shaw - for their efforts, guidance and support throughout the season. From the moment the lads descended upon the Gillespie Sports Centre in late July, there was a huge amount of work needed to get the season off the ground and to then keep it in the air, so thank you.

And with former Junior Coordinator Ben Pike, Sarah Nunn and Cam Blizzard leaving the Committee, a special thanks to these people for their hard work and commitment to the Club over many seasons. We thank you for your service to the GDCC.

Continuing with the warm and fuzzies, I would like to also express my thanks to you, the parents. Whether it was your sensational afternoon teas or facing your demons with the scoring app.

Perhaps it was bringing the ice or most importantly, getting the water to ice to cordial ratio just right for the lads, your help is very much appreciated. Sporting clubs feed on the goodwill of the people within them and we are lucky to have you with us. Now, even more than ever, your continued support is needed for when we come out the other side of COVID-19, so thank you in advance.

To the lads. Simply put, you played The Glenelg Way. I asked you all at the start of the season to make yourselves, your family and your Club proud and you did that. To say the way the season finished totally sucked, is a complete understatement, but there was success enjoyed along the way, skills developed, progress made, and friendships strengthened, so please don't think the season is a waste. Use your Winter wisely, stay fit and hungry and I look forward to seeing you all in late July for pre-season trials.

Lastly thank you to my wife Fiona. Not that I'm trying to scare off future Junior Coordinators, but this role does take a lot of time and energy and I've probably banged on about aspects of it far too much to her. So, thanks for putting up with me and hopefully after this email, I'll just bang on about a bunch of other stuff that is not cricket related instead!

In recognizing team performances, I'd firstly like to acknowledge the two teams that experienced ultimate success this season.

The U17 Shield side won consecutive U17 titles in what is an extremely demanding competition. This team was made up of a mix of lads in their first year of senior cricket or from the U16 squad and was ably led by Captain Isaac Higgins.

To win this title is a great achievement and demonstrates that the GDCC is well placed for long term success at Seniors level as these boys move into those ranks. It is an exciting time. Coach Ben Higgins has provided a summary of the tournament that you can read later in this season summary.

The U16 White side won two titles this season, the U16 Whites Premiership and the T20 Tournament. Due to no finals being played, the team that topped the ladder at the end of the minor round was awarded the flag in all grades. Given the lads only suffered one narrow loss all season, this title is a fitting recognition of what the lads achieved.

And in the T20 tournament, the lads were undefeated and held their nerve to win a tight Grand Final against Kensington. Zachary Chapman and Lachlan Hayball shared the captain duties during the season and Matthew Chapman coached the team. His summary of the season can also be found later in this document.

I can sense the boys metaphorically staring at me wishing I'd "get on with it", so here are the Award Winners for the 2019/20 season:

## **AWARD WINNERS 2019/20**

Seahorse Player of the Season - Jesse Arthur  
Seahorse Commendation Award - James Pike  
Wicketkeeper of the Season - Kieran Scannell  
U16 White T20 Player of the Series - Gaurav Vashist

### **Under 17 Shield Awards**

- Best Player – Isaac Higgins
- Batting - Zac McCabe 208 Runs @ 41.60
- Bowling - Oliver Wilkinson 11 Wickets @ 9.45

### *Individual Performance Awards*

- Oliver Wilkinson - 6/20 vs Adelaide Round 1
- Kelly Angove - 6/23 vs West Torrens Round 2
- Jordan Tilbrook - Hat Trick v Sturt in Grand Final

### **Under 17 Shield Season Summary – by Ben Higgins**

I will start by saying it was an absolute privilege to coach this outstanding group of young Glenelg players, as I had a front row seat to watch them play some outstanding cricket to win this competition for the second straight year. Congratulations boys, it is an outstanding achievement of which you should all be very proud.

Coming into this year's competition, we had high expectations following last year and having six players returning from that team. These experienced players were our top six in our batting line up, so it was thought this would be our strength.

As it turned out the bowling and overall fielding was the strong point and a real highlight considering our fast bowling group were all first-year players (some with two years left in this competition). They helped us succeed, winning three of our four minor round games and dominating the finals, except for a little nervous time chasing the total against Sturt in the Grand Final.

We were well led by Isaac Higgins & Zac McCabe, who managed the bowlers and field settings outstandingly. The only negative was Isaac's inability to win a toss!!

The bowling unit work brilliantly together with all contributing at different stages. Individual highlights included Ollie Wilkinson's 6 for 20 v Adelaide in the first game, Kelly Angove's 6 for 23 v West Torrens, Nick Taylor's finals performances taking 3 wickets in both games and Jordan Tilbrook taking a hat trick in the Grand Final!

Special mention to Jesse Arthur who was the leader of our attack. Whilst he didn't take big bags of wickets, he set the tone upfront in every game, bowling a heavy ball and putting pressure on the opposition's best batsmen. Well done Jesse.

Our batsmen didn't have a lot to do as we bowled first in every game and the highest run chase was 137 v Sturt in Round 3. Isaac & Zac were the stand outs with the bat, which is not surprising as they are the most experienced and our State Under 17 opening batsmen. We chased very well in three of the minor round games, plus both finals, with the only hiccup in Round 2 v West Torrens when we failed to chase 114 being bowled out for 88 (losing 7 for 9!).

This team has a lot of talent, but it was not just the talent that won us the title, it was the way they gelled as a team. This was evident in the way we fielded, always putting pressure on the batsmen with many run-out chances each game. Highlights of our fielding came from Henry McAuliffe with his outstanding run out in the semi-final and Tyreece Conway's one-handed catch in the final.

The club has a lot to look forward to over the next ten years, with all this talent evolving from the juniors. However, it is up to these players individually to work hard to continually improve their game to be the best they possibly can be.

Congratulations again boys. Well played.

I want to thank the following people for their assistance throughout this competition.

Sam McCabe as Assistant Coach. Your input with the boys and myself was invaluable as was your calming influence during the games when the coach got a bit frustrated! Simon Wilkinson for his outstanding effort as Team Manager. Sarah Nunn, Dave Boschma and Jenny Bullimore for organizing the one-day uniforms for the boys.

Dave Boschma & Maria Scholz for organizing and producing the Premiership Photo. And thanks to all the parents that helped with the scoring as well as your support to me and the players throughout the tournament. As parents, I know it was very enjoyable and the boys appreciated the support.

## **U16 Reds**

- Seahorse Medallist – Riley Hill
- Batting - Riley Hill 278 runs at 27.8
- Bowling - Jesse Arthur 32 wickets at 8.82
- Fielding - Tom Wilkinson

## *Individual Performances*

- Andrew Landon 6/13 vs Northern Districts Round 10

## **Under 16 Reds Season Summary – by James Greenwell**

What a Different Season that was.

We began season 2019/20 with a large turnover of senior players from last season's Under 16 squad. We introduced a larger than normal number of new players to the squad and farewelled a

big group to senior cricket. After a poll of the players, Jessie Arthur was appointed captain and Chester Forster vice-captain. It is a great credit to both young men who set the standard at training and games all season and did a very good job leading the team.

We won games early in the season on the back of some good quality bowling and fielding, while our young batting group took some time to come to terms with the requirements of Under 16 Reds cricket. The boys showed great resilience winning tight contests against Prospect and Southern Districts on the coldest day I can remember, with a very tight loss in between to Sturt who were bolstered by an A and B grader.

The two-day games exposed our young batting group who struggled adapting to the requirements of batting for 70 overs, against some pretty good attacks. However, these experiences are part of the learnings of this level of competition.

We did well in the 20/20 competition winning three out of four games, only being beaten by the eventual premiers, who beat us in the semi-final. Our batting was led by Riley Hill and Lachy Nash showing great maturity in their first season in Under 16 Reds, and some cameos from Kaidyn Webber and Jett Raphael, who saw the light at Christmas to join a better club. The bowling and fielding were generally of high quality and benefitted from contributions from everyone at different times, but highlighted by consistent performances from Kelly Angove, Jessie Arthur, Tom Wilkinson, Sam O'Donnell and Andrew Landon.

The resumption of the competition saw us struggling with the requirements of school cricket making selection very challenging. Our massive win against Port was a sign of what we are capable of, with a great platform set by Sam O'Donnell and Cameron Kiel at the top, before Jordy Tilbrook put on an exhibition, launching a number of very big balls into the surrounding houses at sunny Rosewater.

We lost a tight 40 over game to eventual Premier\* (the asterisk refers to a premiership under unusual circumstances, much like the SANFL premiership "won" by North Adelaide in 2018), before ending the season in very fine style.

We defeated Kensington outright in just over a day and half, and then were three overs short of a 10 wicket win against Northern Districts in the last two games. There were some outstanding individual performances in these games, including James Pike with bat and ball against Kensington, and Andrew Landon with the ball and Riley Hill with the bat against Northern Districts.

I genuinely feel we had great form and momentum leading into the semi-finals, and were capable of doing some real damage, with a side that was finally looking settled and starting to play at the standard we were capable of. Unfortunately, as we now know, someone in China ate a bat that had eaten a snake, and now were all locked up in our houses for the time being, and we'll never know what we could have achieved.

I want to acknowledge several young men who are now leaving the junior program to progress to senior cricket. To Jessie, Chester, Pikey, Gaurav, Jett, AJ, Nick, Kel, Oscar, Lachy Hayball, Will, Huddo, Rupert and Jacko, it's been a privilege to work with you and I really wish you the best in the future.

To take 32 wickets across both comps (and lead the bowling in the 17 Shield), is a fantastic performance from Jessie Arthur. He improved as a bowler and leader tremendously this season and I'm confident he can have an exciting future at the club. Congratulations on a great season.

He was well supported by Kelly Angove, Jordy Tilbrook, Andrew Landon, James Pike, Tom Wilkinson, Ben Newman and Nick Taylor who formed a strong bowling group, all of whom at different times

produced high quality spells. The spinners Gaurav Vashist, Sam O'Donnell, Hudson Perks and Bodie Hosking also made important contributions at different times.

Our young batting group took some time to come to terms with the Under 16 Reds competition, but Riley Hill, Lachy Nash, Kaidyn Webber Jordy Tilbrook, Jett Raphael and Bodie Hosking all made contributions at different times, and with most of them available again next season, we have expectations they can develop into high class players capable of very good things.

I want to acknowledge the outstanding result of Ben Higgins' Under 17 side who won the competition for the second year in a row. This is a tough thing to win once but to go back-to-back is a fantastic achievement and was won on the back of an even contribution from most of the squad, under some terrific leadership from Isaac Higgins.

To the Under 16 Whites, congratulations on an outstanding season. To go through losing one game (even if it was to Port) is a very good performance. This was a very tough season with many of the Under 16 squad being dragged to school cricket, so we had to deal with constant selection upheaval and rarely were we able to put our best team on the ground. This affects the Under 16 whites the most, but Chappy was endlessly patient and was able to provide the direction and structure that allowed the boys to remain focused and committed. His support for me and wise counsel was invaluable.

I'd like to thank Mark Hofmeyer for a tireless job in what turned out to be a very strange and difficult season, and the other junior coaches Ben Higgins, Tim Hoffman and Tim Dyer who are all committed to make the players in the squads the best they can be. The knowledge, hours and energy they put into this is a great indication of why Glenelg's junior program is the envy of most in the competition

In conclusion, although the season finished unsatisfactorily, I believe the club has a very bright and exciting future, with another group of talented young men moving into senior cricket, which is ultimately the responsibility of the junior program. I look forward to watching their progress with great interest, and feel we have a strong base for another successful season next season.

### **U16 Whites**

- Seahorse Medallist – Gaurav Vashist
- Batting - Will Trevena 294 runs at 73.5
- Bowling - Oscar Hofmeyer 22 wickets at 12.00
- Fielding - Zachary Chapman

### *Individual Performances*

- Will Trevena 114 n.o. vs Southern Districts Rd 2
- Gaurav Vashist 5/5 vs Port Districts Round 4 T20 Competition

### **Under 16 Whites Season Summary – by Matthew Chapman**

Reflecting on the Under 16 Whites season that was, the first thing that comes to mind is how much of a pleasure and privilege it has been to work with a great group of boys. To be rewarded with two premierships in one season is terrific, but even more important was the enjoyment we had along

the way. We all should be very proud of our U16s as a whole group; they are a terrific bunch and their teamwork and willingness to improve every week is really something.

The season began with Lachlan Hayball appointed captain. Unfortunately for Lachy, injury and then school cricket meant he didn't see much action. Whilst injured, Lachy came to all our games (home and away) to contribute, proving his leadership qualities. Zachary Chapman then assumed the captaincy for most of the season. It was a role that he grew into and learnt an enormous amount from. I thank Zac for his on-field leadership.

Our season began with four consecutive one-day games and strong victories against East Torrens, Southern Districts, Sturt and Prospect, giving us an early indication that our best cricket was very competitive. One of our key batting targets is to achieve 50+ run partnerships and to have top six batters take games deep into our batting innings. Against Southern Districts this was highlighted by a 150+ run partnership with Will Trevena going on to make a fantastic 114 not out.

We then entered two-day games against Adelaide and West Torrens. The boys put together a near complete game of cricket against Adelaide, batting almost all their 70 overs for 182 before bowling Adelaide out for 161 with disciplined bowling and excellent fielding. An extra special win which showed us how sticking to processes and executing skills consistently generally puts us in a winning position. The West Torrens game was not one of our better performances in the field, but thankfully our batters were able to deliver an excellent performance to chase the 188 for victory and an undefeated first half of the year was the reward.

The season paused for the T20 competition, where we commenced with a double-header and a big win over Sturt, followed by a hard-fought win against competition benchmark, Adelaide. Without doubt, our high-quality fielding was our point of difference in both games. We returned after the Christmas break with dominant wins over Southern Districts and Port Adelaide, which included Gaurav Vashist's incredible T20 figures of 5 for 5.

A home semi-final awaited and a big win over West Torrens put us into the Grand Final. Batting first against Kensington we made a competitive 3/103, 'Gaz' completely dominant with 52 off 38 balls the standout. Our bowling and fielding proved too strong, restricting our opponents to 9/96. The boys thoroughly deserved their success. Gaurav Vashist was undoubtedly the player of the T20 series and final.

We returned to action in the grade competition and after an abandoned game due to wet weather, we faced Port Adelaide. From the start of the game, we were unable to get into the contest. We lost clumps of wickets and were unable to produce partnerships with some late order batting helping us to just 108. Our bowling was very good, unfortunately not supported by our catching and Port passed us in the 40th over.

For us it was a disappointing result and our only loss for the year but was a reminder about maintaining focus on the things we control, like our attitude on game-day. The following round we comprehensively took care of Tea Tree Gully thanks to Harry Fiebig's maiden 50 for the Seahorses and a complete, all-round bowling performance. Special mention also to U14 player, Kieren Scannell for his five dismissals behind the stumps in that game.

We again defeated Kensington, this time in Beyond Blue Round, highlighted by another strong 100+ run partnership with the bat and some exceptional bowling and fielding efforts. Congratulations to Zachary Chapman for being awarded the Beyond Blue Medal.

Our last game against Northern Districts was a complete batting effort. We were able to declare on day one with 232 on the board thanks to half centuries to Will Trevena, Will McAuliffe and Nick Taylor. before Nick struck twice late on day one to have us in a near unbeatable position. Unfortunately, the boys didn't get to finish their work and that game and ultimately the season came to a sudden and disappointing end.

I would like to acknowledge Will Trevena who was recognised as our 'whites' leading run scorer and the leading run scorer in the whole competition, in just four games! It can be tough at times moving between teams (reds to whites to school cricket) but Will did this on more than one occasion and always maintained his quality contributions to the team. Well done Will!

Our leading wicket taker across the T20 and grade competition was Oscar Hofmeyer. Oscar did a terrific job as the leader of our bowling attack, taking early wickets and always making things really challenging for opposition batters. Oscar took 22 wickets in both competitions and was a significant part of our success.

Gaurav Vashist is our Seahorse Medallist for season 2019/20. After a steady start to his season, Gaz produced some match winning performances, most notably in the T20 final as mentioned. He is a very talented young player and I am so pleased he came to our club this season. Gaz won the award from Will Trevena in 2nd, Oscar Hofmeyer 3rd, Rupert Males and James Pike equal 4th. Each of those players made solid contributions throughout the season. A special mention also to Will McAuliffe as our wicket keeper who continuously improved throughout the season, making some excellent dismissals and maintaining excellent leadership standards behind the stumps.

Throughout the season 28 players saw action in the whites. To maintain such high winning standards within the group with so many changes each week has been a credit to the boys.

A big thank you to the parents and extended family members who supported the Under 16 Whites this season. It was vital to have you as part of the journey. I also acknowledge all parents that contributed to the scoring and ground set up. This really makes the job of coaching our boys an easy one. You all play an important role.

I would particularly like to acknowledge Mark Hofmeyer for his support, not only as Junior Coordinator, but also for helping to manage the team each week by taking care of the little things on game day.

Finally, a big thank you to James Greenwell for his work throughout the year. Many hours of work behind the scenes goes into putting two teams on the park each week.

James has committed a huge amount of personal time and effort to this group of boys. A lot of unseen work goes into a cricket season from a coaching perspective and James invests significant energy to see our boys improve and experience success. On many occasions during the year, opposition coaches complimented the Whites on our preparation, excellent fielding and disciplined bowling efforts. This is a significant acknowledgement that we are doing a lot of good things at Glenelg.

Farewell to the second year Under 16 lads who have finished their junior careers. It has been a pleasure working with you all. All the very best with your future playing careers. In signing off, I hope to see many of you again in the pre-season. With some luck... and good social distancing, we might just see a new season start on time!

## **U14 Reds**

- Seahorse Medallist – Jonty Higgins



- Batting - Declan Dunne 364 runs at 30.33
- Bowling - Jonty Higgins 17 wickets at 13.18
- Fielding - Harry Plews

### *Individual Performances*

- Jonty Higgins - 100no v Adelaide - Round 5
- Declan Dunne - 101no v Northern Districts - Round 11

### **Under 14 Reds Season Summary – by Ben Higgins**

This season was a great development year for the Under 14s, not only in the Reds but in both teams as we had a number of first year players to the club and also to Under 14 cricket generally. In addition, as a new coach for the boys it took me some time to get to know them and understand their strengths and weaknesses.

This meant a bit of a slow start to the season regarding wins, losing three of the first four games, although we were very competitive in all games. However, we got our season off and running in our fifth game against Adelaide, where we chased down 213 runs against a strong bowling line-up. This was our best win for the year and then followed it up with a convincing win over West Torrens.

We then went into a break to play T20 cricket which for the Reds was a challenge as we were not a big hitting team and therefore struggled to score quickly enough as this type of cricket demands. Hence, we only won one of our four games to miss the finals.

However, the last game win against Port Adelaide really showed how the boys had learnt a lot from this competition in terms of how to score by working in partnerships, picking up the 1s and 2s from good balls and punishing their bad balls.

Returning to the main competition, we continued the good form from before Christmas by winning three of our four remaining games (one wash out), with the three wins being very convincing against Port Adelaide, Tea Tree Gully and Northern Districts where we made 303 chasing their 132. Our only blemish was against Kensington where we lost a low scoring game, even though we took 18 wickets for the match! This lost ultimately cost us a spot in the finals with Kensington taking the fourth position that we held for the later part of the season.

Even though we missed the finals, I feel the year was an extremely positive one from where we started from to where we finished. All the boys showed excellent improvement throughout the year with some outstanding individual performances across the team, that I would like to acknowledge.

We were very well lead by Declan Dunne (Captain) and Kieran Scannell (VC) both in games and at training where they got the boys warmed up and ready to go, whilst I was still getting set up. The team really responded well to their leadership.

Declan had a great season leading our batting line up with his opening partner Joel George, highlighted by his 101no in our last game versus Northern Districts. Joel had his own highlight of the season against Port Adelaide scoring 64.

Congratulations to Kieran Scannell who took out the Junior Wicketkeeping award. Kieran was outstanding all season behind the stumps, diving around the place and completing some nice stumpings. He also made some handy runs as well.

Jonty Higgins our Seahorse Medallist and leading wicket taker, led our attack superbly with his fast mediums, often being too quick for the opposition batsmen. His batting also improved significantly this season with the highlight being his 100no to steer us home against Adelaide.

Congratulations to Harry Plews on winning our fielding award. His energy and quick movement in the field was outstanding and set the standard for the team.

Well done boys on your awards.

Whilst we had some excellent individual performances, it was the way the boys developed a strong team first and bonded throughout the season that really impressed me and I know the parents could see this as well. We even had a couple of opposition coaches comment how impressed they were on how the team acted as a team and carried themselves on the field, showing great sportsmanship. The boys should be very proud of themselves for this and for the great year they have had.

Overall, I want to thank the boys for their efforts, both at training and in games. I have thoroughly enjoyed coaching these boys and I look forward to watching them develop further as they progress through the grades at the Club.

I would also like to thank the parents for their support of me and the boys this season. Their willingness to help with scoring, setting up the ground and tidying up at the end of play, plus the excellent afternoon teas provided, all was very much appreciated and allowed me to concentrate on coaching.

Special thanks to Mark Candy, Dave Dunne, Ian Thomas, Nigel Percy and Nathan Sinclair for their help and support to me this season. Thank you to Tim Hoffman for coaching the U14 Whites. Your input and understanding when we moved players up and down throughout the year was really appreciated.

Thanks to James Greenwell for your support to me and assistance with team selections, I really appreciate your help mate. And Mark Hofmeyer as Junior Coordinator, a big thank you for your work throughout this season. You have done an amazing job and your support to the coaches was outstanding. I know everyone in the Juniors are extremely grateful for the work you put in.

Thanks boys and all the best next season and beyond.

### **U14 Whites**

- Seahorse Medallist - Tom Dermody
- Batting - Tom Dermody 185 runs at 30.83
- Bowling - Max Matthews 11 wickets at 14.36 and Lachlan Douglass 11 wickets at 14.27
- Fielding - Curtis Goegan

## *Individual Performances*

- Kuwerdeep Singh 5/27 vs Kensington Round 10

### **Under 14 Whites Season Summary – by Tim Hoffman**

The 2019/20 season has seen a tremendous result and a great learning experience for all the boys.

We started the season with a group of young lads that had varying degrees of experience and abilities, and by the end of the season, we had 24 players recorded as playing for the Whites and finishing in the top four of the competition.

Despite being a Premier Club competition, we aimed to provide an environment where all lads were given a chance to prove their skills and learn across all areas of their games. This was highlighted throughout the year with players batting up and down the order, and even games where we bowled as many as nine bowlers.

Throughout the season, the boys were encouraged to do the basics of the game without forgetting to actually 'play the game of cricket'. This simply means that when batting, you are there to make runs, and when bowling, to take wickets! Sound simple; but not always easy to execute.

There were some great individual performances from players throughout the season with both bat and ball, but the key to our success, was the team always worked well together and we were able to spread the performances across the entire group. This was the key to finishing in the top four.

I would like to thank the parents who supported me throughout the year, and this included scoring and setting up the ground for our home games. In summary, I look forward to seeing the boys progress throughout the grades and one day, being members of the senior grades at the Seahorses.

### **Academy**

- Junior Academy Medal - not awarded
- Junior Academy Most Improved - not awarded

U12 Shield Matches - whilst these were only practice matches, we wish to acknowledge strong performances in the following areas:

- Batting - Finn Crouch 144 runs in three innings with three not outs including two 50s
- Bowling - Roy Rana 4 wickets at 10.25 in four matches
- Fielding - Logan Banyer

### **Ray Sutton Competition**

- Batting - Kieran Scannell 112 runs at 28.00
- Bowling - Harry Hosking 6 wickets at 7.17 and Alex Percy 6 wickets at 12.00

### **Academy Season Summary – by Tim Dyer**

The Glenelg Academy squad was put together after an extensive trialling and selection process in July and August last year. Fifteen talented players were identified and keenly trained and worked on

skill development activities, with the aim of taking on the SACA State Under 12 Shield scheduled in December. Unfortunately, with over 40 degrees forecast for three of the four days, the SACA cancelled the carnival, much to the disappointment of all the lads and their families.

To make up for this the Glenelg Academy played four matches with other District Club's Under 12s and showed what a strong group of players the club has coming through.

Glenelg won all four of the 30 over a side games, with strong performances in all areas. Glenelg 7/191 defeated Adelaide 6/130 in a 40 over game, we beat Kensington comfortably, defeated Woodville 4/116 vs Glenelg 5/146 and finally a good win over Sturt with Glenelg making 4/119 and bowling Sturt out for 88!

These games gave our players a chance to develop their skills and test themselves against other talented players from across Adelaide.

May I congratulate all the boys on their enthusiasm, endeavour and efforts at trainings and games and sincerely trust that they will be back at Glenelg ready to tackle the 2020/21 season.

I would also like to thank the parents and families for their support over the year, with a special thank you to Darren Banyer who supported me with the training, coaching and games each week. Many thanks to the players for making my job such a pleasurable one.

## **SACA Awards – Glenelg Award Winners**

### **U17 Shield Team of the Year**

- Zac McCabe
- Isaac Higgins
- Oliver Wilkinson

### **U16 Reds**

- Bowling – Jesse Arthur

### **U16 Whites**

- Batting – Will Trevena

### **Peter Wang Award - Isaac Higgins**

The Peter Wang Award recognises a youth squad cricketer who displays excellent cricket ability, high work ethic, admirable team loyalty, distinguished character and respect for the spirit of the game

### **U17 Male AE Smith Trophy batting award - Isaac Higgins - 425 runs**

Higgins was the leading run scorer of the U17 National Championships in Queensland with 425 runs and a high score of 110 not out.

Congratulations to all winners. It is hoped to have the Trophy Presentation included as part of the 2020/21 Pre-season activities, but for now, stay safe, look after one another, keep up that physical distancing but remain socially connected and if anyone has any spare toilet paper, well..... you've got my number.

Cheers, Mark