

Under 11's

<u>2015</u>

NYACC League

Champions

Richmondshire Festival Champions









Batting Averages

Qualification 15 games and/

or 60 runs or more

Player	Games	Runs	Out	Average
Oli Clark	15	90	3	30.0
Jack Riley	15	69	3	23.0
Rory Jones	15	106	5	21.2
James Bendle	15	116	6	19.3
Tom Park-Bradley	15	91	6	15.2
Also batted				
Maddy Atkinson	11	54	1	54.0
Jacob Warwick	9	37	1	37.0
Mario Krupa	7	18	1	18.0
Fynn Lumley	10	20	3	6.7
Joe Leng	7	18	3	6.0
Ellis Besford	10	20	4	5.0
Dan de la Motte	11	12	3	4.0
Owen Harwood	7	9	3	3.0
Owen Archibald	5	0	0	0.0
Archie Lyonnette	2	1	0	0.0
Harley Smith	1	1	0	0.0











Bowling Averages Qualification 10 wickets or 30

overs bowled

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14	8	16	2.0
20	9	55	6.1
14	5	40	8.0
20	6	52	8.7
10	3	28	9.3
20	4	61	15.3
23	2	53	26.5
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4	0	6	0.0
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Wicket keeping	Games	Stumpings	Catches
Oli Clark	15	8	1
Tom Parker Bradley	1	0	1

Darlington Cricket Club under 11's season review By Martin Clark

This has been a brilliant season for the Under 11's and down to a group of players who have been very dedicated and committed to improve and contribute to the team and cricket club. Each and every player should be very proud of themselves!

The season kicked off as usual with the Gremara Cup competition where we registered wins against Newton Aycliffe and Sedgefield but lost to Barnard Castle and Richmond. Despite Billingham conceding a game to us we didn't progress to the semi-final. We started the league campaign against previously unbeaten Norton who boasted 3 Cleveland players. We narrowly won by 5 runs and this win gave the players a major boost of confidence which started a run of wins. In total we played 10 league games winning 9 and only losing to Richmond. Our final league game was a 'winner takes all game' at Hartlepool where we ran out winners by 4 runs in a real nail biter. The game will be remembered mainly for James Bendle's brilliant match winning 18 not out.

Having won the league we were invited to play the most successful sides in the region in the Champions Trophy. Wins against Willington and Seaham Harbour meant we reached the final against Swalwell. Unfortunately the weather was unkind and the final will now be played in April 2016. The weather also prevented us from playing Thornaby in the North v South NYACC play off final.

However in the typical season finale the U11's played in and won the Richmond festival winning 3 out of 4 games securing a comfortable net run rate victory overall.

We have used 17 players this season. A core group of experienced players were joined by a group of emerging talent. It has proven to be an effective blend and means that the younger players this year have had very useful experience to set them up for the 2016 season.

The success this year wouldn't have been possible without the support of loads of people. Liam and Derek have provided brilliant coaching and all the players have improved massively in all aspects of the game as a result. We also appreciate everyone who has helped out in the shop. Opposition supporters have regularly commented what a bonus bacon sandwiches are on a Sunday morning! We'd also like to thank the parents who cheered all the players on all season and were always willing to help me and Darren out. We would also acknowledge the work Darren has done on the ground.

Covered wickets have helped with the player's improvement. Photos from Tim have also been great and much appreciated! Finally I want to thank the players. They have all had a brilliant attitude and their behaviour has been excellent all season. They have shown respect to the opposition and the coaches and they are a credit to their families and Darlington Cricket Club.

Batting

We started the season being overly concerned with losing 5 runs for a wicket. Players seemed reluctant to play shots and cautious with calling and running. After the Norton game Derek, Liam and Darren worked on the above in training and our total scores went from around an average of 25 to 75 and stayed there for the remainder of the season. In



the 2013 season we had 2 players score over 50 runs. This season James Bendle got 116 runs at an average of 19 and Rory Jones 106 at 21. Oli Clark opened the innings throughout and got 90 runs at an average of 30 while Tom Park-Bradley pulled the ball powerfully to score 91 important runs in the second pairing. With Jack Riley getting 69, Maddy Atkinson 54 and Jacob Warwick 37 it has been a successful batting year. Shot selection and execution has improved as the season has gone on. Players have worked out their strengths and hit the bad ball. Alt-

hough the experienced players have scored the bulk of the runs the other guys have contributed plenty of runs and this years' experience will really help them in the 2016 season. Dan De la Motte has played straight and has grown in confidence as the season has progressed as has Joe Leng. Fynn Lumley, Ellis Besford and Mario Krupa have also developed well this year and contributed 58 runs between them.

Bowling

Bowling has been a real strength this season. Overall we have taken 97 wickets in 16 games which is a remarkable achievement. The success has been built on our ability to bowl line and length. Me and Darren would put our attack this year above any other we have come across. Whatever team we picked made no difference to the overall bowling performance of the team. Skipper Jack Riley picked up 15 wickets with his leg spin, including a brilliant 5 for 5 in the quarter final of the



Champions Trophy against Willington. Maddy Atkinson picked up 17 wickets in 31 overs. Her highlight was 4 for 2 against Newton Aycliffe but she consistently bowled with good pace and skill and always against the best opposition batters. Rory Jones again showed his consistency by bowling wicket to wicket and was rewarded with 10 wickets. Rory's highlight with the ball was against Norton when he won us the game with his figures of 2-9 while bowling to the Norton captain. Tom Park-Bradley swung the ball consistently and picked up 9 wickets while James Bendle improved massively throughout the season and picked up 8 wickets by bowling at a decent pace with accuracy. Joe Leng in in his first season also contributed 8 wickets in the middle pairings only conceding 16 runs by bowling really accurately. Also in his first season Fynn Lumley picked up 9 wickets in 20 overs including a brilliant 3 for 4 against Billingham, while Ellis Besford also showed real potential and was rewarded for putting in loads of practice with overall figures of 6 for 52 off 20 overs. Our 2 youngest players Owen Harwood and Owen Archibald also got valuable experience this year and picked up important wickets. Owen H at only 6 years old picked up 5 wickets for 40 in 14 overs while 9 year old Owen Archibald picked up 3 for 28 from 10 overs. Both lads will play a major role next season!

Fielding

Fielding has improved massively from the start of the season. Coaching has been the key to the improvement and we have seen improved catching and throwing as well as more consistent walking in and back up. Tom Park-Bradley and Maddy Atkinson have been excellent in the field but have been well backed up by the others. Oli Clark has had an excellent season behind the stumps picking up 8 stump-



ing's and a catch while spending most of the season standing up to most of the bowlers.

Player summary Reports by Martin Clark

Jack Riley

In his final year as an U11 Jack captained the side very well and has had an excellent season with bat and ball. He has scored 69 runs only being out 3 times in 15 games (Average: 23) with a top score of 11 against Barnard Castle and Newton Aycliffe, while always batting in the final pair against the best opposition bowling. He also picked up 15 wickets (Average 5.3), which included a brilliant



performance against Willington when he won the game for us with a 5 wicket haul. Jack also represented the league side in 2 games.

Maddy Atkinson

Maddy has had an excellent season and played 11 games in her final U11 year. She batted very well scoring 54 runs only being out once (Average: 54) with a top score of 11 against Newton Aycliffe. She has always batted in the first or last pair. As the senior strike bowler Maddy took 17 wickets (Average: 6.8) against the best opposition batters. She has also represented Durham, DCC U13's and DCC 3rds where she took a wicket!

Oli Clark

Oli works really hard at his game and has scored 90 runs this season doubling his total from last year. Only being out 3 times in 15 games he recorded an average of 30, with a top score of 15 against Sedgefield. He has opened the batting in every game against the opposition best bowlers. He also played 10 games for the U13's and 2 games for the league side, keeping wicket and opening the batting in both games with a top score of 16. Behind the stumps he has taken 8 stumping's including 3 in one game against Blackhall.

James Bendle

James has improved massively this year. He scored more runs than anyone (116) at an average of 19.3 with a top score of 18 against both Newton Aycliffe and a brilliant match winning 18 in the season decider against Hartlepool. He is an excellent timer of the ball and most of his innings have been in the last pair. He works really hard at his game and his bowling has also improved. He has bowled



wicket to wicket with some shape picking up 8 wickets at 13.9 usually against the first or last pair.

Tom Park-Bradley

Tom is another player that works very hard at his game and is often seen in the nets. His batting has improved massively throughout the season. His practice boosted his confidence and top scored with 12 in the season finale against Hartlepool which proved to be vital runs. Tom knows his strengths and anything short down the leg side generally goes to the boundary! He scored 91 runs mainly in the second pairing which gave the innings impetus. He averaged 15.2. His left arm swing bowling was always a threat and he picked up 9 wickets at 12.6. An excellent fielder and team man, Tom has been a really important member of the team this year.

Rory Jones

Rory is an experienced member of the team. He scored over a hundred runs at an average of 21.2 mainly in the middle pairings but has also opened the batting in Maddy's absence. He top scored with a powerful 20 against Newton Aycliffe and scored runs consistently. Rory's eyes light up when a spinner comes on and was at his best when being positive. He is a good team man and can always be heard encouraging his team in the field. With the ball he is arguably the most consistent. He bowls a nagging line and length and as a result picked up 10 wickets at 7.9 in 36 overs always against the opposition best batters.

Jacob Warwick

Jacob only played 9 games due to his other sporting commitments but still contributed 37 with the bat only being out once. A powerful left handed batsman Jacob was always someone to rely on in the middle pairings. As a bowler he picked up 4 wickets at an average of 15.3.

Dan de la Motte

In his first full season Dan played 11 games. He scored 12 runs and took 2 wickets. His batting was encouraging all year. He plays very straight and towards the end of the season he started to show more self-belief and hit his first boundary in the Richmond festival. Dan always bowled straight and his pace increased as the season went on. He will be a senior player next season and with a good winter's coaching behind him will have a great 2016.

Fynn Lumley

Playing in his first season Fynn scored a very respectable 20 runs. He realised his strengths and waited for the bad ball while keeping out the good ones. He is a confident player who listens to coaching and improved as the season went on. His bowling was a real success story. He picked up 9 wickets at 6.1 apiece which was an excellent achievement. His best bowling was at Billingham where he picked up 3 wickets. Fynn's fielding also improved and took great catch at Norton.

Ellis Besford

Another debutant, Ellis is a real success story this season. His batting has improved a lot scoring 20 runs. He plays straight and will learn a lot from this season's experience which will really help him next season. Ellis works very hard on his game and can regularly be seen in the nets with his Dad and brother, Bailey. This helped Ellis improve a lot and very quickly. He picked up 6 wickets at an average of 8.7 which is an excellent performance. Ellis will be a senior player next year and will continue to improve.

Owen Harwood

Owen played 7 games this season and made a major contribution. At just 6 years old he picked up 5 wickets at 8 apiece, which included 2 in successive balls against Barnard Castle. Owen played in some big games for us including the season finale against Hartlepool and the Champion's trophy games. He scored 9 runs and hit his first boundary in the Richmond Festival where he played all 4 games helping his team to win the tournament. Owen is also an



athletic fielder with a good arm and can always be heard encouraging his team mates when he is fielding.

Mario Krupa

Mario has played 7 games in his first season for DCC. He scored 18 runs and was only out once. Mario only picked up 1 wicket but bowled very well and deserved more wickets. His fielding was very good in the games he played. He has the best arm in the NYACC! He was also a major help to me with the scoreboard while we were batting.

Joe Leng

Joe played 7 games in his first season for DCC. He has worked hard at his game and as a result has improved a lot as the season has gone on. He scored 18 runs and played straight. His batting highlight was hitting a great cover drive for 4 against Hartlepool. Joe also took 8 wickets at 2 apiece. He is really accurate and batsmen found him really difficult to get away. A really encouraging first season and a good team player.

Owen Archibald

Owen played 5 games for the U11's. He played straight and as he gets older and stronger the shots that were dots this year will score him runs. Owen bowled very straight and picked up 3 important wickets at 9 apiece. He is a great lad who enjoys his cricket. He will continue to work hard at his game in the winter and will be a key part of the team next season.

WELL DONE EVERYONE.