



CITY CRICKET CLUB NEWSLETTER

December 2016

Greetings All,

It is with great pleasure to inform you that DURACRETE Products City Cricket Club have won the Whangarei Club of the year award for 2016.

The club of the year award for Whangarei is a recognition of successes both on and off the field along with their community links/engagement and how their participants are looked after at the club.

Winning the Whangarei award means the club was also nominated as one of 3 finalists for the 2016 CSG Konica Minolta Northland Sports Awards in the Sport NZ Club of the Year category.

The club is extremely proud to have received this accolade for our overall efforts and once again would like to thank everyone involved with the club who have played an integral part within their specific roles along with the past and present players and supporters who continue to 'fly the City Cricket Club flag' to make it the successful club that it has come to be renowned for.



DURACRETE Products CITY CRICKET CLUB GARAGE SALE

We recently held a club garage fundraiser, a big thank you to Don Nelson our Club Captain for his generosity towards donating many of the quality items that were available for the many folk who attended and purchased items on the day.

Thanks must also go to our club secretary/ treasurer Nicky Stroebel who kindly stored all of the items over a period of time and hosted the event at her house on the day.



QUIZ NIGHT

Thank you to everyone who attended and helped with the recent DURACRETE Products City Cricket Club Quiz night. Once again a fantastic evening was held at the Cobham Oval Clubrooms and congratulations to all the winners and teams who supported the evening along with our Quiz Master Dave Lobb and the MC for the evening, Craig Little.

A HUGE thankyou to the many local businesses, organisations and sponsors who donated the fantastic prizes and auction items that were up for grabs on the night - your continued support towards the club is greatly appreciated and the prizes were once again top notch this year.

We would like to thank these people and organisations for providing and supporting us with wonderful prizes for our Quiz evening:



Northland Electricity Services Trust (NEST), Judge House of Ale, Regent New World, Farrand & Mason (Dargaville), FLOATZONE, Discovery Settlers Motel, Fosters Decorating (Dargaville), Cactus Liquor, Retro Hair Salon, Hubands Energy, LION, Subway, Kensington Fitness, Mark Cromie Holden, 100% Barrells, Barry & Moira Newton, Active Attitude, Wild Poppy along with Mark and Wendy Wilson, Joseph Yovich and Darron Goodwin who provided our fabulous auction items.

DURACRETE Products CITY CRICKET CLUB 'GUVS' ARE BACK IN 2016

For those that are not aware, this season has seen the DURACRETE Products City Cricket Club 'GUVS' back involved in the local NCA T20 Reserve Grade competition for the month of November.

It was fantastic to see many of our past players back on the field and involved with the club, dusting off the cobwebs and making an appearance throughout the tournament that saw them upsetting a few of the regular club Reserve grade teams with wins in local competition.

Some of our City Cricket Club 'Guvs' gentleman may have not swung the willow or had a bit of leather in their hands for near on 20 years, this certainly didn't hold them back though, confirming that 'form' is temporary, 'class' is permanent and great to see that those all-important competitive juices still run through the veins!



A HUGE thank you to all those who made themselves available and a special mention must go out to former City 'Guvs' Reserve Grade legendary all-rounder Bruce Kessell for all his efforts in facilitating the teams which saw near on 20 past players involved on the weekends and along with that surprising enough, many of whom even getting involved and giving back at the weekly club trainings at our home ground Cobham Oval.

All in all a great success all-round that saw friendships united, many past stories exaggerated a lot of fun had along with reinforcing the importance around linking the past to the new generation in continuing to grow and foster our club culture.



JUNIOR PROGRAMME

Our junior programme is well underway with the next generation of City cricketers (girls and boys) putting in the hard yards at our regular weekly trainings which are ably supported by our well skilled coaching team along with support from our managers and parents on weekends.

Unfortunately the weather hasn't played ball for the start of the season, however in saying that this hasn't stopped our young ones individually and collectively putting together performances that the club are always delighted to see or hear about, congratulations to those who have been selected in age group teams – well done and keep up the great work!



The talent on show amongst our many junior teams within the club is exciting and the future looks to be in very good hands.

SENIOR CRICKET

Our Premier mens side have won both of their round robin one-day 50 over matches, also as the current defending champions of the NCA T20 one-day champions from last season have won all of their T20 round robin matches which now sees them in the NCA T20 one-day final to be played at Cobham Oval on **Sunday 11 December** starting at **2:30pm**. All club members are welcome to come and support the lads, it would be great to see lots of support at our home ground—we will more than likely be running a BBQ and it will no doubt be a cracking day!

Our mens Reserve Grade side unfortunately lost their NCA T20 semi-final, however they have now moved into the NCA 40 over competition as the defending champions from last season. To date they have had a win and loss from the first two rounds of the competition.

Click on the link below to follow where and who our teams are playing on the weekends:

<http://www.northcricket.co.nz/results-fixtures/> and if you're not already, keep following us on our City Cricket Club Facebook page too and remember to email info@citycricketclub.co.nz with any photos or stories!



NEWS

After a very successful Prize Giving evening and well attended AGM this year, one of the highlights for the club in the past 6 months has been seeing so many of our past members at our events and getting involved with initiatives with the club.

Denis Lloyd or better known as DPR 'Rod Stewart' Lloyd is seen here in the photos keeping a close eye on our club professional James Thompson in the nets at one of our training sessions and also presenting Des Thomson his Life Membership Cap at our AGM evening earlier in the year.



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