

THROUGH THE COVERS
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CEO MESSAGE



It is said that you will not be aware of how quickly time flies when you are enjoying what you do. I now truly understand what that actually means. These past eleven months have literally flown by and when I look back I cannot help but smile and be filled with a sense of pride of what we have achieved as a Union. On a personal note it meant the creation of a new life in KZN and the birth of an immense pride in a province with such incredible potential and hope for the future. When I reflect on the past season I am filled with gratitude and a true sense of belonging to something much bigger than myself.

As the Dolphins franchise our core business of cricket has performed well, with incredible performances throughout the KZN pipeline, the pinnacle being the positive brand of cricket played by the Hollywoodbets Dolphins. We won three out of a possible six senior cricket trophies available in the national competitions, and what makes this achievement even more special is that the three include one by each entity and also one in each of the three formats - Hollywoodbets Dolphins (Momentum 50 over), KZN Coastal (Sunfoil 3-day) and KZN Inland (Africa T20).

When I zoom in on the KZN Coastal community I cannot say enough about the potential that exists in this area of our beautiful country. The quality of players, the passion and knowledge of the administrators and the commitment of the coaches and staff have been something to behold.

The KZN Coastal semi-professional team put the cherry on top of a wonderful first season for me when they lifted the Sunfoil 3-day competition after dominating the competition throughout. The value of Coastal has also been emphasised with the emergence of a player like Senuran Muthusamy who excelled on all stages and a coach like Roger Telemachus, who has made a successful transition from player to coach.

Looking towards the future I am filled with a sense of excitement and anticipation for what we can achieve if we continue on this journey with the same passion and pride. We will focus on each aspect of our business and have a goal of continuous improvement in every single activity.

KZN Coastal, thank you for making my first season at KZNCU a memorable one.

CRICKET SERVICES MANAGER MESSAGE



KZN Cricket Coastal could not have asked for a better end to the cricket season having been crowned champions of the Sunfoil 3 Day Cup 2017/18. It has been quite a fantastic journey and the team coached by Roger Telemachus had a great season in this 3-Day competition finishing with 178 points in Pool A with 6 wins from 10 matches and this was an absolute pleasure to witness. It was a collective team effort which augurs well for our future.

As we have come to an end of yet another season I would like to thank everyone for their contribution during the period - from the grounds men, scorers, umpires, parents who supported their children, spouses who supported each other - to officials who run clubs, your efforts do not go unnoticed. We are extremely grateful to you.

The Club season finished on a high with Crusaders Cricket Club being crowned Champions in the 50 Over format.

Clifton College won the Coastal leg of the Schools T20 Competition 2017/18. The RPC/HUBS continues to produce cricketers for the provincial teams. 15 in total were selected to represent KZN at Provincial and Regional levels. The KFC Mini Cricket programme has grown from strength to strength and each year we have new schools joining the programme.

I would like to also take this opportunity to acknowledge and express gratitude to our passionate sponsors Hollywoodbets for the unwavering support and energy they have brought to our team and the staff at Kingsmead Stadium.

To our staff members that have worked tirelessly throughout the year and the season at large, a very big thank you to you too.

Please enjoy the off season and time with your families.

Catch you in the new season!

RITESH RAMJEE

CRICKET SERVICES MANAGER MESSAGE



KZN SCHOOLS CRICKET



In the KZN Coastal leg of the Coca Cola Schools T20 Competition 2017/2018, we had a total of 32 schools fighting it out to get to the Provincial final, the KZN Development team caused a major upset by knocking out the 2017 holders Glenwood High School to make it to the semi-finals joining Westville High School, Kearsney College and Clifton College who were crowned champions on the third attempt ousting Westville High School in a rain affected match on a better run rate.

SEMI-FINAL 1

KZN Township Development vs Westville High School

100/7 (20)

101/0 (8.1)

Thulani Chiliza 24 (29)

Gareth Beavan 3/20

Keegan Gibbon 59 (28)

Westville Boys High School won by 10 wickets.

SEMI-FINAL 2

Clifton College vs Kearsney college

146/7 (20)

93/10 (15)

Matthew Montgomery 48 (37)

Carl Heunis 2/38

Joshua Brown 4/11

Muirhead 20 (19)

Clifton College won by 53 runs.

KZN SCHOOLS CRICKET



FINAL

Westville Boys High School vs Clifton College

119/9 (20)

92/2 (13)

Caleb Pillay 29(29)

Noorbhal 2/16

Rajkumar 1/10

Simon Holmes 44* (27)

Clifton College won on superior run rate.

Clifton College proved to be the better squad during the 2017/2018 season led by Matthew Montgomery. It has come to the attention of the coaches and it is a huge concern that not enough centuries are being scored during school encounters due to pitches being more bowler friendly around the Province which is alarming as players need to be accustomed to scoring big centuries so it is not foreign to them come time for CSA National Weeks at the end of the year.

PREMIER LEAGUE BOWLING AVERAGE - 50 OVERSAS AT 3 APRIL 2018

NAME	TEAM	GAMES	BOWL INN	OVERS	BOWL RUNS	WICKETS	B/B	BOWL AVG.	BOWL ECON
Henry, Josh	UKZN C C 1st	19	19	167.5	486	43	8/19	11.3	2.9
Razak, Abdul Hack	DHS Rhythm C C 1st	20	19	176.1	461	38	7/22	12.1	2.62
Koen, Tyron	Crusaders C C 1st	17	15	113	429	38	5/19	11.3	3.8
Reeves, Ryan Ashley	Clares C C 1st	15	14	101	283	32	7/23	8.8	2.8
Wissing, Richard Sage	UKZN C C 1st	17	17	139.2	462	32	4/22	14.4	3.32
Jordan, Neill	King Cetswayo C C 1st	20	20	170.1	586	31	6/20	18.9	3.44
Smit, Jesse Cameron	Chatsworth Sporting C C 1st	18	17	109.1	353	30	5/22	11.8	3.23
Joubert, Stephan	King Cetswayo C C 1st	19	17	108.2	315	30	4/16	10.5	2.91
Biddulph, Jason Gilbert	Crusaders C C 1st	20	17	128.5	353	29	5/13	12.2	2.74
Buckthorp, Dylan	Pinetown C C 1st	15	14	125	494	28	5/47	17.6	3.95
Mawarie, Tawanda	African Warriors C C 1st	19	18	123.3	428	27	4/14	15.9	3.47
Kamanzi, Yves	DHS Rhythm C C 1st	18	16	111.3	440	27	5/23	16.3	3.95
Patel, Mohamed Zain	Topham C C 1st	17	16	136.2	503	26	6/21	19.3	3.69
Scott, Chad	Berea Rovers C C 1st	19	17	125.5	495	25	5/30	19.8	3.93
Moolman, Kyle David	Berea Rovers C C 1st	19	16	117	415	24	3/26	17.3	3.55
Gordon, Cameron	Clares C C 1st	21	19	119.3	415	24	4/36	17.3	3.47
Dyer, Andrew	Pinetown C C 1st	13	12	99.2	372	23	3/27	16.2	3.74

PREMIER LEAGUE BATTING AVERAGE – 50 OVERSAS AT 3 APRIL 2018

NAME	TEAM	GAMES	BAT INN	N/ OUT	BAT RUNS	H/S	BAT AVG.
Mungroo, Shaldon	DHS Rhythm C C 1st	20	20	1	608	101	32
Trenoweth, Tyler	Berea Rovers C C 1st	19	17	1	607	120	37.9
Riekert, John	Crusaders C C 1st	20	17	1	583	108	34.3
Govender, Nashen	Delta C C 1st	14	13	3	500	79*	50
Hatting, Ruben	Crusaders C C 1st	19	15	3	450	74	37.5
Redinger, Jason Clint	King Cetswayo C C 1st	19	18	7	447	92*	40.6
Minnie, Riaan	Crusaders C C 1st	16	14	2	433	133	36.08
Kerr, Bruce	Pinetown C C 1st	15	15	2	406	63	31.2
Razak, Abdul Hack	DHS Rhythm C C 1st	20	19	3	402	46*	25.1
Reeves, Ryan Ashley	Clares C C 1st	15	14	1	401	96	30.8
Koen, Tyron	Crusaders C C 1st	17	13	4	398	58*	44.2
Maharaj, Ishan	DHS Rhythm C C 1st	17	17	2	398	75	26.5
Stamaitis, James	Berea Rovers C C 1st	14	12	2	383	89*	38.3
Smit, Jesse Cameron	Chatsworth Sporting C C 1st	18	13	3	361	81	36.1
Bezuidenhoudt, Jeyato	Pinetown C C 1st	17	16		356	59	22.2
Patel, Mohamed Zain	Topham C C 1st	17	16		352	78	22
Syed, Junaid	Delta C C 1st	20	18	2	334	69	20.9
Naidoo, Desigan K	African Warriors C C 1st	17	16		332	68	20.8
Wissing, Richard Sage	UKZN C C 1st	17	17		330	67	19.47

CHALLENGE LEAGUE S1 BOWLING AVERAGE - 50 OVERS AS AT 3 APRIL 2018

NAME	TEAM	GAMES	BOWL INN	OVERS	BOWL RUNS	WICKETS	B/B	BOWL AVG.	BOWL ECON
Michaux, Jared	ACC 1st	17	13	89	278	39	5/44	7.1	3.12
Mather, Adam Paul	ACC 1st	18	15	123.3	394	34	5/18	11.6	3.19
Kettle, Kevin Austin	Umbilo Harlequins C C 1st	15	15	112	424	32	4/14	13.3	3.79
Pillay, Ehren	Simplex RHCSC 1st	17	15	110	436	31	5/46	14.1	3.96
Ngcobo, Andile	Umlazi C C 1st	17	16	100	430	31	6/15	13.9	4.3
Mthembu, Sbniso Mfana	Umlazi C C 1st	17	15	104	331	30	5/22	11	3.18
Mahomed, Ismaeel	ILembe C C 1st	15	13	92.4	370	28	4/19	13.2	3.99
Mather, Dawood	Railways C C 1st	14	14	96.4	560	27	6/33	20.7	5.79
Govender, Darryl	Umzinto C C 1st	18	16	118	432	27	4/24	16	3.66
Beeput, Akilesh	Umzinto C C 1st	12	11	85.2	334	26	6/25	12.8	3.91
Patel, Muhammed	Umbilo Harlequins C C 1st	17	16	106.3	385	24	5/6	16	3.62
Vezi, Phumlani	Umlazi C C 1st	18	14	88.1	373	23	4/14	16.2	4.23
Shange, Comfort	Dawnheights C C 1st	18	15	98.2	412	23	5/24	17.9	4.19
Chetty, Brandon Lee	East Coast C C 1st	18	13	78.2	427	22	4/26	19.4	5.45
Nadasen, Alveiro	ILembe C C 1st	13	12	86	311	21	4/5	14.8	3.62
Govender, Denolan	Verulam C C 1st	17	12	73	341	21	5/28	16.2	4.67
Verma, Raj	Dawnheights C C 1st	18	16	122.3	424	20	5/36	21.2	3.46
Govender, Kylin	East Coast C C 1st	16	12	79.4	373	20	4/33	18.7	4.68
Ramduth, Avishkar	Dawnheights C C 1st	18	15	95.4	379	20	5/65	19	3.96

CHALLENGE LEAGUE S1 BATTING AVERAGE - 50 OVERS AS AT 3 APRIL 2018

NAME	TEAM	GAMES	BAT INN	N/ OUT	BAT RUNS	H/S	BAT AVG.
Verma, Raj	Dawnheights C C 1st	18	16	2	570	104*	40.7
Vezi, Phumlani	Umlazi C C 1st	18	16	1	500	74	33.3
Pillay, Trishane	Railways C C 1st	18	17		473	122	27.8
Weppenaar, Wesley	ACC 1st	18	15	3	438	164*	36.5
Michaux, Jared	ACC 1st	17	14	2	406	101*	33.8
Smith, Robin	ACC 1st	18	11	4	388	94*	55.4
Pillay, Cameron	ILembe C C 1st	15	12	2	375	73*	37.5
Safri, Faiyaz	Umbilo Harlequins C C 1st	18	16		366	53	22.9
Pillay, Austin Lee	Umzinto C C 1st	18	16	1	361	82*	24.1
Kettle, Kevin Austin	Umbilo Harlequins C C 1st	15	12	2	347	89*	34.7
Mabanga, Desmond N	Umlazi C C 1st	13	12	2	347	125*	34.7
Mather, Dawood	Railways C C 1st	14	14	1	340	59	26.2
Ismail, Ameen	Umzinto C C 1st	17	15	3	335	87	27.9
Naidoo, Rajendran	Dawnheights C C 1st	17	15		328	146	21.9
Singh, Riley	Verulam C C 1st	18	15	2	296	56	22.8
Nadasen, Alveiro	ILembe C C 1st	13	10	2	294	75	36.8
Khan, Aziz	Umbilo Harlequins C C 1st	17	16	1	290	57*	19.3
Tobo, Sabatha	Umlazi C C 1st	17	15	1	289	45	20.6
Motala, Mohmadtalha	Umbilo Harlequins C C 1st	16	15	2	285	65*	21.9

CHALLENGE LEAGUE S2 BOWLING AVERAGE - 50 OVERS AS AT 3 APRIL 2018

NAME	TEAM	GAMES	BOWL INN	OVERS	BOWL RUNS	WICKETS	B/B	BOWL AVG.	BOWL ECON	BOWL S/R
Thulsiraman, Sasikumar	Phoenix C C 1st	16	14	107	290	36	6/14	8.1	2.71	17.8
Bauerschmidt, Alvin	Hillary Malvern C C 1st	16	15	112	419	34	5/25	12.3	3.74	19.8
Hatiya, Imtiaz	Southern Natal C C 1st	15	14	113	325	31	6/48	10.5	2.88	21.9
Mansoor, Mahamad Sahal	Southern Natal C C 1st	13	12	75.2	221	30	6/14	7.4	2.93	15.1
Maharaj, Rakishi Neeran	Chatsworth United C C 1st	16	12	75.4	361	29	7/29	12.4	4.8	15.6
Iqbal, Ansar	Silver Saints C C 1st	14	11	73	371	27	5/33	13.7	5.08	16.2
Bauerschmidt, Kevin	Hillary Malvern C C 1st	16	14	92	439	27	3/22	16.3	4.77	20.4
Bishop, Gareth Ashley	Southern Natal C C 1st	15	11	44.2	213	25	6/21	8.5	4.8	10.6
Gasa, Samkelo	Lindelani C C 1st	12	11	81	256	25	6/14	10.2	3.16	19.4
Gwala, Manqoba Junior	Lindelani C C 1st	16	14	88.5	337	24	5/43	14	3.79	22.2
Govender, Tregan	Silver Saints C C 1st	15	12	74.3	322	24	4/20	13.4	4.32	18.6
Buys, Jacques	Hillary Malvern C C 1st	13	12	78	177	24	6/18	7.4	2.27	19.5
Lawrence, Gersgion	Southern Natal C C 1st	14	12	64.2	208	22	6/14	9.5	3.23	17.5
Mulla, Mohamed Siddiq A	Newlands East/Kensea C C 1st	15	8	55	144	22	7/19	6.5	2.62	15
Naidoo, Matthew	Phoenix C C 1st	15	12	67.4	306	20	4/21	15.3	4.52	20.3
Nazir, Muhammad Zulfiqar	Silver Saints C C 1st	16	11	55.3	250	19	5/7	13.2	4.5	17.5
Kasaval, Shannon	Phoenix C C 1st	16	14	81.1	331	18	5/33	18.4	4.08	27.1

CHALLENGE LEAGUE S2 BATTING AVERAGE - 50 OVERS AS AT 3 APRIL 2018

NAME	TEAM	GAMES	BAT INN	N/ OUT	BAT RUNS	H/S	BAT AVG.
Redinger, Matt Jay	Southern Natal C C 1st	12	12	3	521	86	57.9
Patel, Khalil Ahmed I S	Newlands East/Kensea C C 1st	16	13		444	83	34.2
Chislet, Garth	Hillary Malvern C C 1st	15	14	5	385	66*	42.8
Bishop, Gareth Ashley	Southern Natal C C 1st	15	12	5	284	64*	40.6
Palmer, Joshua	Hillary Malvern C C 1st	12	11	1	274	80	27.4
Gwala, Manqoba Junior	Lindelani C C 1st	16	13	1	267	75	22.2
Kalkapersad, Sachin	Southern Natal C C 1st	12	11	2	244	59	27.1
Gasa, Samkelo	Lindelani C C 1st	12	11	1	229	55	22.9
Hatiya, Imtiaz	Southern Natal C C 1st	15	8	2	222	71	37
Ahmed, Afzal	Newlands East/Kensea C C 1st	16	13	1	215	63	17.9
Hartzenberg, Dwayne	Hillary Malvern C C 1st	14	9		213	45	23.7
Naidoo, Matthew	Phoenix C C 1st	15	14	1	208	57*	16
Chania, Moinuddin M	Tonga C C 1st	15	12	2	196	47*	19.6
Mohanlall, Santosh	Phoenix C C 1st	12	11		196	55	17.8
Kayani, Zaheer	Newlands East/Kensea C C 1st	16	13		195	59	15
Nazir, M Zulfiqar	Silver Saints C C 1st	16	14	2	191	38	15.9
Iqbal, Ansar	Silver Saints C C 1st	14	13		183	50	14.1
Slabbert, Louis	Hillary Malvern C C 1st	14	13	2	179	44	16.3
Maharaj, Rakishi Neeran	Chatsworth United C C 1st	16	12	1	176	78*	16

WOMEN'S LEAGUE A BOWLING AVERAGE - 30 OVERS AS AT 3 APRIL 2018

NAME	TEAM	GAMES	BOWL INN	OVERS	BOWL RUNS	WICKETS	B/B	BOWL AVG.	BOWL ECON
Payne, Brittany Charne	Simplex RHCSC Open - Women 1st	10	8	39.3	108	16	4/5	6.8	2.73
Shangase, Nondumiso	Lindelani C C Open Women 1st	10	5	19.3	51	12	6/5	4.3	2.62
Tapp, Kay-Leigh	Simplex RHCSC Open - Women 1st	9	7	34.3	54	11	4/14	4.9	1.57
Gcobashe, Ntokoze	African Warriors C C Open - Women 1st	10	5	19.2	59	10	3/10	5.9	3.05
Ramgathi, Keerthi	Simplex RHCSC Open - Women 1st	10	8	38	126	10	3/9	12.6	3.32
Kunene, M Prudence	Lindelani C C Open Women 1st	10	5	21.1	46	10	4/7	4.6	2.17
Shabane, Nomzamo	African Warriors C C Open - Women 1st	9	5	23	97	10	4/14	9.7	4.22
Mngadi, Ntombizesizwe	African Warriors C C Open - Women 1st	10	6	29	89	7	2/8	12.7	3.07
Kapitan, Jagruti	Simplex RHCSC Open - Women 1st	10	8	35.5	163	7	3/12	23.3	4.55
Madlala, Sabathile	African Warriors C C Open - Women 1st	9	6	26.1	105	6	2/1	17.5	4.01
Mlaba, Nonkululeko	Lindelani C C Open Women 1st	10	4	18	48	5	3/12	9.6	2.67
Hlubi, Ayanda	Lindelani C C Open Women 1st	10	4	8	26	4	2/9	6.5	3.25
Sheik Omar, Zainub Bibi	Berea Rovers C C Open - Women 1st	10	4	16.2	70	4	2/33	17.5	4.29
Kawu, Esihle	Lindelani C C Open Women 1st	9	4	15	37	4	3/7	9.3	2.47
Nayager, Prashanthi	Chatsworth Sporting C C Open - Women 1st	10	4	14.5	53	4	3/16	13.3	3.57

WOMENS LEAGUE A BATTING AVERAGE - 30 OVERS AS AT 3 APRIL 2018

NAME	TEAM	GAMES	BAT INN	N/ OUT	BAT RUNS	H/S	BAT AVG.
Moodley, Nadine	Simplex RHCSC Open - Women 1st	8	6	4	161	54*	80.5
Hambrook, Jenna	Simplex RHCSC Open - Women 1st	9	7	3	114	32*	28.5
Gcobashe, Ntokoze	African Warriors C C Open - Women 1st	10	6	3	103	46*	34.3
Tapp, Kay-Leigh	Simplex RHCSC Open - Women 1st	9	5	2	90	34*	30
Shangase, Nondumiso	Lindelani C C Open Women 1st	10	5	2	81	40*	27
Madlala, Sabathile	African Warriors C C Open - Women 1st	9	6	1	68	17	13.6
Ndimande, Nokwazi Adelaïd	African Warriors C C Open - Women 1st	8	5		59	36	11.8
Badat, Naseema	Berea Rovers C C Open - Women 1st	10	4	1	38	37*	12.7
Hlubi, Ayanda	Lindelani C C Open Women 1st	10	4	2	36	14*	18
Yaka, Nosipho	Lindelani C C Open Women 1st	10	5		36	10	7.2
Mngadi, Ntombizesizwe	African Warriors C C Open - Women 1st	10	6	3	30	15	10
Busane, Nobuhle	Lindelani C C Open Women 1st	10	4		28	19	7
Fischer, Kiara	Chatsworth Sporting C C Open - Women 1st	10	4	1	24	11	8
Ramgathi, Keerthi	Simplex RHCSC Open - Women 1st	10	6	1	23	9	4.6
Hlophe, Nosihle	African Warriors C C Open - Women 1st	10	4		21	11	5.2
Kunene, M Prudence	Lindelani C C Open Women 1st	10	4	1	20	8	6.7
Shabane, Nomzamo	African Warriors C C Open - Women 1st	9	4		17	10	4.2
Vilakazi, Samkelsiswe	Lindelani C C Open Women 1st	9	4	1	15	8	5

WOMEN'S LEAGUE B BOWLING AVERAGE - 30 OVERS AS AT 3 APRIL 2018

NAME	TEAM	GAMES	BOWL INN	OVERS	BOWL RUNS	WICKETS	B/B	BOWL AVG.	BOWL ECON
Gopichund, Jemma Arnet	Chatsworth Sporting C C Open - Women 2nd	7	5	20	65	12	5/9	5.4	3.25
Magwaza, Nonsindiso	African Warriors C C Open - Women 2nd	8	4	18.3	46	10	4/3	4.6	2.49
Ngcobo, Senzekiie Lucia	Umgababa C C Open - Women 1st	8	5	13	43	9	4/2	4.8	3.31
Raman, Adelaide C	Chatsworth Sporting C C Open - Women 2nd	7	4	14.4	29	8	2/1	3.6	1.98
Nduku, Snenhlanhla	Lindelani C C Open Women 2nd	8	5	14	51	8	4/9	6.4	3.64
Nala, Amanda Loveday	Umgababa C C Open - Women 1st	8	5	23.3	52	7	3/11	7.4	2.21
Xulu, Wandile	African Warriors C C Open - Women 2nd	7	4	16.2	27	6	2/5	4.5	1.65
Khanyile, Nolwazi	African Warriors C C Open - Women 2nd	7	4	19	43	5	3/15	8.6	2.26
Mbhele, Sanelisiwe	Umgababa C C Open - Women 1st	8	5	19	59	5	2/14	11.8	3.11
Ramkissoon, Alicia	Chatsworth Sporting C C Open - Women 2nd	4	4	13	28	5	3/8	5.6	2.15
Mohammed, Nadia	Chatsworth Sporting C C Open - Women 2nd	8	5	21	51	5	3/10	10.2	2.43

WOMENS LEAGUE B BATTING AVERAGE - 30 OVERS AS AT 3 APRIL 2018

NAME	TEAM	GAMES	BAT INN	N/ OUT	BAT RUNS	H/S	BAT AVG.
Sewnarain, Smita	Chatsworth Sporting C C Open - Women 2nd	8	6	1	100	48	20
Nala, Amanda Loveday	Umgababa C C Open - Women 1st	8	6	1	49	41*	9.8
Raman, Adelaide C	Chatsworth Sporting C C Open - Women 2nd	7	5	1	42	22	10.5
Nduku, Snenhlanhla	Lindelani C C Open Women 2nd	8	5	1	38	27	9.5
Xulu, Wandile	African Warriors C C Open - Women 2nd	7	4		37	18	9.2
Ndlovu, Samkelisiwe Amahle	Lindelani C C Open Women 2nd	8	4	2	33	23*	16.5
Ngcobo, Senzekiie Lucia	Umgababa C C Open - Women 1st	8	6	1	31	10	6.2
Moodley, Thilendree	Chatsworth Sporting C C Open - Women 2nd	7	4	1	26	17	8.7
Yaka, Nontobeko Trience	Lindelani C C Open Women 2nd	8	5	2	24	12*	8
Khanyile, Nolwazi	African Warriors C C Open - Women 2nd	7	4	1	16	9*	5.3
Ndlovu, Ntandoyenkosi	Lindelani C C Open Women 2nd	8	5		16	7	3.2
Mandy	Lindelani C C Open Women 2nd	8	5		16	8	3.2
Khumalo, Smangele Zandile	Lindelani C C Open Women 2nd	8	5		12	4	2.4
Gasa, Philile Olwethu	Umgababa C C Open - Women 1st	8	6		12	5	2
Mbhele, Sanelisiwe	Chatsworth Sporting C C Open - Women 2nd	8	5	1	9	4	2.2
Rampersadh, Sajal	Lindelani C C Open Women 2nd	8	4		6	5	1.5
Bele, Noxolo	African Warriors C C Open - Women 2nd	8	4		6	4	1.5
Gina, Fundiswa Nontobeko	Chatsworth Sporting C C Open - Women 2nd	8	4		5	4	1.2
Mohammed, Nadia	Lindelani C C Open Women 2nd	7	4		5	2	1.2
Ngcobo, Owethu							

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Castle Premier League

TEAMS	P	W	L	T	N/R	NRS	POINTS
Crusaders	20	15	2	0	3	0	75
Chatsworth Sporting	20	13	4	0	3	0	69
Clares	20	14	6	0	0	0	68
Berea Rovers	20	12	6	0	2	0	59
King Cetshwayo	20	12	8	0	0	0	58
Pinetown	20	9	9	0	2	0	47
Delta	20	9	9	0	2	0	44
UKZN	20	7	13	0	0	0	32
AML African Warriors	20	4	14	0	2	0	21
DHS Rhythm	20	4	15	0	1	0	20
Topham	20	3	16	0	1	0	15

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Castle Challenge S1 League

TEAMS	P	W	L	T	N/R	NRS	POINTS
ACC	18	11	2	1	4	0	63
Umlazi	18	12	4	0	2	0	60
ILembe	18	9	6	1	2	0	49
Umbilo Harlequins	18	8	8	1	1	0	41
Umzinto	18	7	8	1	2	0	40
Verulam	18	7	8	0	3	0	39
East Coast	18	6	7	0	5	0	38
Simplex RHCSC	18	6	9	0	3	0	33
Dawnheights	18	4	11	0	3	0	26
Railways	18	5	12	0	1	0	25

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Castle Challenge S2 League

TEAMS	P	W	L	T	N/R	NRS	POINTS
Southern Natal	16	14	1	0	1	0	72
Hillary Malvern	16	13	2	0	1	0	64
Tongaat	16	7	6	0	3	0	39
Newlands E/K	16	6	7	0	3	0	36
Lindelani	16	6	8	0	2	0	32
Silver Saints	16	5	9	0	2	0	28
Umkomaas	16	4	8	0	4	0	28
Phoenix	16	4	10	0	2	0	18
*Chatsworth United	16	2	10	0	4	0	15

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Women's League A

TEAMS	P	W	L	T	N/R	NRS	POINTS
*Simplex RHCSC	10	6	2	0	2	0	28
Chatsworth Sporting 1	10	5	1	0	4	0	28
Lindelani1	10	4	2	0	4	0	24
Berea Rovers	10	2	3	0	5	0	18
African Warriors 1	10	2	4	0	4	0	16
Pinetown	10	0	7	0	3	0	6

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Women's League B

TEAMS	P	W	L	T	N/R	NRS	POINTS
Chatsworth Sporting 2	8	6	0	0	2	0	28
African Warriors 2	8	3	2	0	3	0	18
Lindelani 2	8	2	3	0	3	0	14
Chesterville	8	1	3	0	4	0	12
Umgababa	8	1	5	0	2	0	8

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Castle Premier T20

TEAMS	P	W	L	T	N/R	NRS	POINTS
*Clares	10	7	1	0	2	0	32
Pinetown	10	7	1	0	2	0	32
Crusaders	10	7	2	0	1	0	30
Berea Rovers	10	5	3	0	2	0	24
Chatsworth Sporting	10	4	3	0	3	0	22
DHS Rhythm	10	4	4	0	2	0	20
King Cetshwayo	10	4	4	0	2	0	20
Delta	10	3	4	0	3	0	18
AML African Warriors	10	1	8	0	1	0	6
Topham	10	1	8	0	1	0	6
UKZN	10	2	7	0	1	2	2

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Castle Challenge T20 A League

TEAMS	P	W	L	T	N/R	NRS	POINTS
Umbilo Harlequins	4	4	0	0	0	0	16
ACC	4	2	2	0	0	0	8
Dawnheights	4	2	2	0	0	0	8
Tongaat	4	1	2	0	1	0	6
Lindelani	4	0	3	0	1	0	2

Castle Challenge T20 B League

East Coast	4	3	0	0	1	0	14
Verulam	4	3	1	0	0	0	12
Silver Saints	4	2	2	0	0	0	8
Phoenix	4	1	3	0	0	0	4
Simplex RHCSC	4	0	3	0	0	1	0

Castle Challenge T20 C League

Railways	4	4	0	0	0	0	16
Umlazi	4	1	1	0	2	0	8
Chatsworth United	4	0	1	0	3	0	6
Newlands E/K	4	1	1	0	0	2	4
Umkomaas	4	0	3	0	1	0	2

Castle Challenge T20 D League

Southern Natal	3	2	0	0	1	0	10
Umzinto	3	1	1	0	1	0	6
Hillary Malvern	3	1	1	0	1	0	6
Ilembe	3	0	2	0	1	0	2



Challenge T20 Semi-final
East Coast beat Railways
Umbilo Harlequins beat Southern Natal

Challenge T20 final
Umbilo Harlequins beat East Coast

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Castle Women's T20A League

TEAMS	P	W	L	T	N/R	NRS	POINTS
*Chatsworth Sporting 1	4	1	0	0	3	0	10
Lindelani 1	4	1	0	0	3	0	10
African Warriors 1	4	1	1	0	2	0	8
African Warriors 2	4	1	1	0	2	0	8
Chesterville	4	0	2	0	2	0	4

Castle Challenge T20 B League

*Berea Rovers	5	2	0	0	3	0	14
Simplex RHCSC	5	2	0	0	3	0	14
Pinetown	5	1	1	0	3	0	10
Umgababa	5	1	1	0	3	0	10
Chatsworth Sporting 2	5	0	2	0	3	0	6
Lindelani 2	5	0	2	0	3	0	6

*Finish first – run rate

Women's T20 Semi Final

Lindelani 1 beat Berea Rovers
Simplex RHCSC beat Chatsworth Sporting 1

Women's T20 Final

Simplex RHCSC beat Lindelani



COACHING EDUCATION SCHEDULE 2018/19

	DATE	VENUE	TARGET GROUP	FACILITATOR
Level I Course Schedule: KZN	26 -29 June 2018	Kingsmead	Local Coaches & Teachers	Coaching Manager/Coastal Facilitators
	10 - 13 July 2018	Kingsmead	Local Coaches & Teachers	Coaching Manager/Coastal Facilitators
	18 - 21 July 2018	Richards Bay	Local Coaches & Teachers	Coastal Facilitators/Presenters
	24 - 26 August 2018	Port Shepstone	Local Coaches & Teachers	Coastal Facilitators/Presenters
Level II Course Schedule:	8 - 11 May 2018	Kingsmead	Regional Coaches	Coaching Manager/Coastal Facilitators

COACHING TIPS

The art of staying in the present

Concentration is about living in the moment - which unfortunately isn't as easy as it sounds

Aakash Chopra

Ever since I started playing cricket I've been told about the importance of concentration and how it's the key to batting for a long time and scoring a lot of runs. There has always been plenty of emphasis on this aspect of the game. I'd often hear a commentator say that a lapse in concentration cost the batsman his wicket, or a coach telling me to concentrate harder whenever I couldn't put the bat to ball.

Though I understood the importance of concentration fairly early in my career, I didn't entirely understand the concept itself. And I wasn't the only one.

What exactly is concentration?

A few years ago I was selected to play in the Challenger Trophy (before I made my international debut).

We had an interactive session with Geet Sethi, the billiards player, whose definition of concentration remains etched in my memory. He said that concentration is simply remaining in the present. The longer you can remain

in the present, the greater your span of concentration. Sounds easy, right? Nearly two decades of playing cricket has taught me that it isn't. The mind has the peculiar ability of wandering off at the first available moment, and it doesn't need any permission. You might be in the middle of an important match, playing an important knock or bowling the most crucial over, but the mind has a mind of its own. Two places it likes to wander off to are the past and the future.

I'd either start feeling bad or good about what had happened in the past - the ball before - and get disconnected from the present, or I would start worrying about or prematurely celebrating events in the future, getting away from the task at hand.

Whatever happened in the past or might happen in the future does not have, or at least should not have, any bearing on the ball you're going to bowl or play next. All that matters is what you do with that particular ball. Remaining in the present is the only way to concentrate.

One needs to start concentrating once the bowler starts his run-up and the concentration has to be at its peak from the time of delivery till the ball hits the bat. (Of course, this changes for fielders, who need to be alert till one of them fields the ball.)

How can you improve your concentration?

Most games of cricket go on for at least six hours at a time, with occasional breaks. Now concentrating for a few minutes at a time is quite difficult, let alone six hours. So the idea is to switch off after every delivery and then switch on before the next. Switching off means allowing the mind to wander away for a few seconds before getting it back on track. This is not restricted to only batting and bowling; fielders do it too. One needs to relax before starting to concentrate again.

Batting or bowling in the nets can be instrumental in improving concentration, since one needs to concentrate ball after ball in that situation, with very little time in between (as there are usually about six or seven bowlers operating at all times).

The trigger movement

Most players follow a set routine - adjusting the equipment, or something else - that acts as a trigger to snap them out of wander mode and back to the game. Greg Chappell would look at the crowd after playing every ball; MS Dhoni fiddles with his bat and gloves; I scratch the leg-stump mark on the pitch with my shoe; Jason Gillespie used to stop for a few seconds and take a deep breath at the top of his run-up.

Staying in the game

While it's important to switch off and allow your mind to wander, one still needs to ensure that it doesn't drift too far away. For example, a captain has to still think about the field placements and plan his course of action, like bowling and fielding changes. A fielder is supposed to always be looking at the captain or bowler for instructions on any possible changes in the fielding position before starting to concentrate again. A batsman weighs his options of scoring runs off the next ball. I call this not-so-focused form of concentration "staying in the game".

The zone

Then there are some - we call them geniuses - who seemed to get into the zone at will: the state of mind where everything flows automatically. You don't consciously switch on or off, your mind doesn't wander into the past or the future, you're constantly aware of your surroundings and almost always play the ball on its merit or bowl where you want to bowl. We all have times when we get into such states, but to do it on a consistent basis is an art that only a few have mastered. Sachin Tendulkar seemed to get into the zone more regularly than the rest.



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How can one attain that state at will?

Honestly, I don't know for sure. I've gathered over the years that even the greatest minds can wander. Thoughts keep coming into your head regardless of whether you want them to. The best way to deal with them is to acknowledge their presence rather than trying to ignore them. Trying to push the thoughts away gets you involved and takes you away from the task at hand. When you leave them unattended, they disappear. Tendulkar's innings in Sydney in 2004 is the perfect example of not paying heed to the thoughts that try to intrude. He didn't play a cover-drive for most, if not all, of his innings of over 200, and I refuse to believe that the thought of playing the shot didn't cross his mind, especially once he was set.

Sunil Gavaskar once told me that when you reach a milestone your mind takes you to the ones you love most. You feel an immediate connection to those close to you who are watching you achieve the feat and your heart goes out to them and with it your mind too, which results in a loss of concentration

When are we most vulnerable to losing concentration?

I used to think that staying in the present was important only at the beginning of the innings. After all, it's only at the start, when we're plagued with self-doubt, that we are most susceptible to failure; once we get that elusive start, everything falls in place. But I've learned that I was mistaken. A loss of concentration can occur at any point during an innings, and most often does when you're feeling good, like after going past a milestone, when you drop your guard a bit.

I once asked Sunil Gavaskar about it, and he said that when you reach a milestone, the mind takes you to the ones you love most. You feel an immediate connection to those close to you who are watching you achieve the feat and your heart goes out to them, and with it your mind too. You thank everyone on the ground by raising the bat, thank God for his blessings, and your family members in your heart. At such times the mind is anywhere but on the cricket field, and you often end up taking the long walk back before realising what's happened. His advice to me was to recognise that emotional surge and allow yourself a little time to regroup; perhaps spending a few overs at the non-striker's end at such times is a good idea.

The external factors

Bowlers and fielders, especially the ones close to the bat, often try to talk the batsman into playing a poor stroke. Few batsmen succumb to the tactic and lose focus; the majority have their own ways of dealing with it.

Sunny bhai told me that the best way is to ignore the comments and even avoid eye contact with the talkers. On the contrary, someone like Matthew Hayden relishes a chat with the bowler and the fielders. Then there's Brian Lara. The Indian team would decide before the start of a series against West Indies to leave him alone, because if you try to get under his skin he starts concentrating harder and then is almost impossible to dislodge.

Even the crowd has a role to play. But contrary to popular belief, a hostile crowd doesn't have as much of an impact as a cheering crowd. I remember getting hit on the helmet in Melbourne during the Boxing Day Test in 2003, and 70,000 people cheered Brett Lee and Co to do it again. But the only effect it had on my game plan was to make me more determined. On the other hand only 30,000 people egging me on to hit another four off Daniel Vettori in my debut Test, in Ahmedabad, was enough to lure me into a false stroke. I got ahead of myself and was dismissed.

We now know that regardless of whether we know the definition of concentration or not, whether we play cricket - or any other sport or for that matter - remaining in the present is the essence to being successful. We all do it unconsciously, and perhaps that's why we slip out of it without knowing, but if we manage to do it consciously, at will, keeping close tabs on our mind, we'll be able to control it a lot better and produce better results.

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