

This season we won 15, lost 11 and 4 games were cancelled. One of our best seasons – the most ever wins was 16 in 2008! It was a very wet start in May/June but we were lucky to play despite the extremely wet conditions – we had to buy and use a lot of sawdust!

We did quite well in the league and if it hadn't been for a miserable performance against GRYCC we would have made the semi-finals. Better luck next season!

The away weekends in St. Vallier and Bellingham were once again very enjoyable, despite the extremely long grass in the first case and in the second case an opposition batsman scoring 197 not out! Congratulations to John Osborne on managing to get a team for both weekends, drafting in a couple of non-cricketers for the latter fixture. We once again failed to get a team to go to Milan, we should perhaps re-consider this fixture.

42 different players turned out for the club this season (6 of who only played once), Sayan Chaudhuri played the most games (21) followed by Chris Onions (18) and Dawood and Imtiaz Ahmed (17).

Many congratulations to Sayan who scored 701 runs to beat the previous highest total of runs in a season held by Rob Campbell since 2006 (584).

Newcomer Richard Parker averaged 61, which just failed to beat the best average of 64.8 set by Luke Kirwan in 2004 and was not far off Rob's previous record for total runs in a season (in 10 innings Richard made 549 runs!).

Peter Crook took 13 catches, one less than the record held by Tim Elvin (but which included 12 as wicket keeper).

The best bowling performances of the season were by Partha Paul (5 for 15 versus Uprising in the league), Imtiaz Ahmed (5 for 18 versus GRYCC in the league) and Saby Siddhanta (5 for 27 versus Rhone CC in a friendly).

Sayan took the most wickets (33) and at one stage was hopeful of passing the President's record of 43 but cancellation of the Milan tour put paid to that possibility! Partha had the best bowling average of 11.9 whereas Sayan had the best economy rate of 4.2.

There were 3 centuries this year – Richard Parker, John Osborne and Jason Wall, the latter two on a grass wicket in Bellingham.

It is unfortunate that injury seems to have cut short Rob Campbell's long career with CERN, we will miss his presence on the field (in more ways than one!) and wish him well.

Chris Onions