



Basil Sellers Scholar's Profiles 2012 - 13



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



HARRY CONWAY



Scholarship Amount: \$5,000

Age: 18

Youth Squads: Australian and NSW U19s

Club: Northern District

Playing Profile: Tall lean fast bowler who has the ability to bowl with good speed and control. With his height his control and ability to bowl continuous line and length is exceptional. Harry had a very good year in his first full season of First grade taking 25 wickets with his best being 6/47. Was a member and leader of the fast bowling group of the NSW 19s squad at the Australian U19 National Championship held in Adelaide 2012. Through his fine performances was rewarded with selection in the Australian U19s squad that recently completed in the quadrangular series against India England and New Zealand held in Townsville during April. This off season Harry has been awarded a Cricket Australia Centre of Excellence and A.I.S Scholarship.

GURINDER SANDHU



Scholarship Amount: \$5,000

Age: 19

Youth Squads: NSW Futures League and 2ND XI , Australian and NSW U19s

Club: Fairfield - Liverpool

Playing Profile:

Talented fast bowler with good height, has a very skillful bag of tricks. Swings the ball both ways and has the ability to move it off the wicket as well. Gurinder was very fortunate to be a member of the NSW Blues Champions league touring party for a period time. This experience in bowling in tough conditions certainly helped him prepare mentally and physical for the fourth coming season. A real leader amongst his peers impressed many people throughout the. This season Gurinder was selected NSW Futures league and 2ND XI teams, NSW U19s and Australian U19s squad that recently completed in the quadrangular series against India England and New Zealand held in Townsville during April. This off season Gurinder has been awarded a Cricket Australia Centre of Excellence and A.I.S Scholarship. Gurinder will join Harry with a Cricket Australia Centre of Excellence and A.I.S Scholarship for the off season.

JAKE DORAN



Scholarship Amount: \$10,000

Age: 15

Youth Squads: Australian U19 world cup preliminary, COE U18 Talent Camp and NSW U17s

Club: Fairfield - Liverpool

Playing Profile: Jake is an exciting young talent. Is an exceptional left handed top order batter, bowls very good left fast medium and is a very capable wicket keeper. After just turning 15 Jake was selected in the NSW 17s squad that won at the Australian U17 National Championship held in Hobart 2011. To show his class he scored a magnificent 150 against Tasmania that really helped set up an outright. Jake was rewarded with his performances at the U17s championships with selection in the Australian U18 talented camp followed by selection in the initial U19s world cup squad of 30 that will be trimmed to a final squad of 15 in July 2012. The 2011/12 season also saw Jake make his First grade debut at 14 years of age.

SHANE CASSEL



Scholarship Amount: \$10,000

Age: 19

Youth Squads: Australian, NSW U19s and 17s

Club: Parramatta

Playing Profile:

Shane is an exciting young leg spinner. His is a very resilient character which supports this hard bowling art. Possess very flight and consistency and is working very hard on his subtle variations. Shane has been a member two years in row of the Australian U18 talented camp. Through his performance he has also been rewarded on two occasions with selection in the Australian U19 squads for tours of India in 2011 and Townsville in 2012.

Further reward came from Cricket Australia when he was announced as a part –time Cricket Australia Centre of Excellence and A.I.S Scholarship for this off season.

Still currently in the NSW U19s program Shane is working very hard to ensure he will be in strong contention for the final Australian U19 squad that will compete in the U19 ICC World Cup in August 2012.

SAM READING



Scholarship Amount: \$10,000

Age: 18

Youth Squads: NSW U17, COE U18 squad

Club: Murwillumbah CC

Playing Profile:

Wicket-keeper batsman from the North of New South Wales. Sam was a member of the NSW U19 team that competed in the National Championship in Adelaide January 2012. Where he was outstanding with both bat and the gloves. Sam is a very hard working WK and has been on the CNSW radar since he was first sighted at a U/15s tournament 3 years ago. Sam is still NSW U19s this season. Completing his HSC this year has plans to move to Sydney to play grade cricket and keep progressing.

TOM SKELLY



Scholarship Amount: \$10,000

Age: 17

Youth Squads: NSW U17, COE U18 Talent Camp

Club: Southern Zone - Tully Park, The Scots College

Playing Profile:

One of the most exciting fast bowlers to have come through our program. Tom is quick and has the great ability to move the ball. Tom like Gurinder was very fortunate to be a member of the NSW Blues Champions league touring party for a period time. This experience in bowling in tough conditions really helped Tom as he was this season spearhead for the championship winning of the U17s squad that played in Hobart in December 2011. Tom was rewarded with selection into the Cricket Australia U18 talent camp after some fine fast bowling during the championship. The leading quick of the championship Tom took 15 wickets with a best of 5/29 against Tasmania that assisted greatly in a rare outright victory.

ASHLEY JAMES



Scholarship Amount: \$3,000

Age: 18

Youth Squads: NSW U15's, U17's, U18's

Club: Northern Districts

Playing Profile: A promising fast bowler from the NSW Central Coast, Ashley spearheaded the NSW bowling attack during the U18 National Championship in Ballarat generating good pace and also making handy contributions with the bat. In the Championship Final Ashley destroyed the Victorian top-order batting claiming 3-8 from 5 overs hostile overs including a 4th batter retiring hurt after being struck on the foot. Ashley has been a fixture in NSW underage teams since making her debut for the U15's and capped her last underage championship by taking 13 wickets. She will now concentrate on improving her skills in the NSW Academy program underpinning the NSW Breakers Squad and push for NSW 2nd XI selection during 2012-13.

NAOMI STALENBERG



Scholarship Amount: \$3,000

Age: 18

Squad: NSW U15's, U18's

Club: Campbelltown-Camden

Playing Profile: Currently playing the off-season in Holland, Naomi was part of the successful NSW U18's team during 2011-12 where she made 125 runs at an average of 31.25 and a top-score of 51. Naomi is a hard-hitting middle-order batter and medium-pace bowler who plays for the Campbelltown-Camden Cricket Club in the Sydney Grade Competition and has also played a major part in NSW underage championship teams. A feature of Naomi's cricket is her willingness to take on a challenge and her fighting spirit. Upon her return to Australia, Naomi will work in the NSW Academy program underpinning the NSW Breakers Squad and push for selection in the NSW 2nd XI.

CELESTE RAACK



Scholarship Amount: \$3,000

Age: 18

Squads: NSW U18's; NSW 2nd XI

Club: Campbelltown-Camden

Playing Profile: The next in a long-line of NSW spin bowlers to graduate from underage programs, Celeste is a late-bloomer who has taken every opportunity provided in the U18 program. In 2011-12 she represented NSW at the U18 National Championship where her leg-spinners claimed 8 wickets at 8.88 with a best of 4-14. She also toured Victoria with the NSW 2nd XI for a tri-series against the Vic 2nd XI where she took 4-11 in one match to lead NSW to a narrow victory. Celeste was the 2nd leading wicket-taker in the Sydney First Grade Competition during 2011-12 and while she has a challenge ahead due to the depth and quality of NSW spin bowlers, her determination and love of the game will see her put plenty of pressure on players ranked ahead of her. Celeste will continue to hone her craft in the NSW Academy program and push for inclusion in the NSW 2nd XI team.