

About Us



Research suggests that a Golden Grove Cricket Club may have existed in 1875 ¹. The Club has physical evidence that a Golden Grove Cricket Club existed in 1901/02; a medal presented to Arthur Roberts by Golden Grove Cricket Club during the 1901/02 season “in recognition of services” has been donated to the Club by Arthur’s grandniece, Mrs Kath Johnstone. Arthur is cousin to the grandfather of our own George Eden.

In 1958, Golden Grove Cricket Club nominated to join the Para Districts Cricket Association, but the nomination was not accepted. Prior to the nomination, Golden Grove Cricket Club was part of the Salisbury & Districts Cricket Association, and the Prospect Association during the 1950s ¹.

The current incarnation of the Golden Grove Cricket Club was formed in 1994 by Rob Wallace and became the 64th senior club and 54th junior club to join the Para Districts Cricket Association (PDCA) in 1995/96. In 1998/99 – our First XI’s final year in PDCA – the Club won the PDCA Grade 2 premiership, defeating Braham Lodge by 98 runs. Current players ² Ian Henderson (captain) and Gavin Lynch were part of that team. Golden Grove CC’s Daryl Webster was named Best Player of the final.

The Club played out of various home grounds during the first few years, eventually settling at Gleeson College in Golden Grove as our main oval and training ground.

In 1999/00, the Club played its First XI matches out of Argana Park (second oval), Elizabeth East, during our first season in the Adelaide Turf Cricket Association taking over both ovals in 2001/02 when Northern Districts DCC moved their Third and Fourth XI teams to the Paddocks. During this time, we continued to train at Gleeson College and enter teams in the PDCA. During the 1999/00 season, Golden Grove entered an Under 17 team in the ATCA

Gleeson College was converted to a turf wicket for the 2002/03 season for the home matches of the First and Second XI. The first turf match played at Gleeson College was between GGCC’s First XI and Pembroke OS (we think).

It all gets a bit hazy here...for several years between 1999/00 and about 2008/09, Golden Grove entered senior teams in the ATCA, PDCA and Independent Central Cricket Association in various combinations. Further research is being conducted, but we can confirm that from that first season in the ATCA, Golden Grove’s First and Second XI teams played on turf in the ATCA. During this time (possibly prior to the 2002/03 season), Golden Grove Cricket Club became known as the Brumbies.

The Club moved First and Second XI matches from Gleeson College to our current home ground, Harper’s Field, for the start of the 2004/05 season. The first sporting contest at Harper’s Field was a cricket match played on 9 & 16 October 2004 between Golden Grove Second XI and Para Hills CC.

Prior to the 2010/11 season, the Club installed a turf wicket at Wynn Vale Oval. All First and Second XI matches were moved to Wynn Vale Oval for the 2010/11 season due to the sub-standard condition of the wicket area at Harper’s Field. The first match at Wynn Vale Oval saw the Brumbies First XI (8/172) defeat Reynella 7/137. Highlights for the Brumbies include a half century by Ben Lynch and three wickets taken by Steve Cox.

In round 10 of the 2014/15 season, the Brumbies First XI returned to Harper’s Field and have remained there ever since.

In 2023/24, the Brumbies played cricket on the top oval at Harper’s Field for the first time. Alex Higgins bowled the first ball and took the first wicket.

In 2015/16, the Club won its first Senior turf premiership (Third XI in ATCA LO5). The Third XI followed it up in 2016/17 by taking out the ATCA LO4 premiership. Unfortunately, the Third XI couldn't make it three in a row in 2017/18, losing in the Grand Final to PAOC. That same year, the Club played in its first ATCA A grade Grand Final, losing to Trinity OS in the A3 competition. In 2021/22, First XI made the A3 Grand Final once more, this time losing to Brighton. In 2022/23, the First XI finally won the Club's inaugural ATCA A grade premiership, this time beating Ingle Farm in the A3 Grand Final.

Junior teams have represented Golden Grove CC in the ATCA, PDCA, North Eastern Junior Cricket Association (NEJCA) and SACA Metro since 1995/96.

It wasn't until George Eden joined the Brumbies in 2000/01 that we began to keep proper records. Thanks to George we have a record of award winners and sponsors since that first season on turf. Unfortunately, the only records we have of our days as a hard wicket club are in the memories of ex-players and some current players.

Although we have had junior teams for the entire time that the Club has existed in its current incarnation, the record-keeping relating to the junior members of our Club is not what it could be. It has become better over the years as you will see as you flick through the records.

If you are an ex- or current player and have additional information regarding trophy winners or any history of the Club, please email grum@goldengrovecc.asn.au.

In the meantime, please visit the Records page on our website.

¹ From *History of the Para Districts Cricket Association* compiled by the Para Districts Cricket Association

² As of 2018/19 season.



ATCA A3 Premiers 2022/23

Ingle Farm 191 (Schiller 3/28, Higgins 3/37, Moran 2/32) **defeated by** Golden Grove 7/196 (Pinder 49, Moran 46, Herrmann 38*)

Top row (L to R): Kallen Pinder, Dylan Holliday, Ben Whitehead (c), Alex Higgins, Tom Neadley, Brad Cousins, Sam Johns (12th)

Bottom row (L to R): Brad Anderson, Matt Herrmann, Chris Moran, Jarrad Indraratne, Liam Schiller