



## Rondebosch Cricket Corner

**Do you know that this weekly Cricket report already goes out to 248 Players, Coaches, RBHS Faculty as well as Supporters and Old Boys each week.**

**If you would like to include someone who is not yet receiving this please e-mail the following to me at [Sparkman@Mweb.co.za](mailto:Sparkman@Mweb.co.za) :- Name and Surname, E-Mail address, Details e.g. Supporter, Parent, Player U14B etc.**

**If there is no Match Report for your team, please speak to your Captain so that he can delegate someone to send in a Match report to me by not later than 10:00 on the Monday morning following the match.**

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### **Editorial**

***Welcome back to all Cricket Players, Parents and supporters. A special welcome to those U14 players joining the Bosch Cricket fraternity - may your game go from strength to strength.***

***On a sadder note, we would like to acknowledge the contribution that Prof Heyns made to Bosch Cricket (amongst many other involvements) and we mourn his sad passing during the holidays.***

***Which Cricket Player can forget Prof visiting each field and dispensing Oros on a Saturday Morning with the caution that the empty Oros bottles were to be returned. He was always there watching the match progress quietly from the shade of a tree.***

***Sadly missed by all who crossed his path.***

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## **NEW BALANCE - 2000 AND BEYOND!**



Cricket Corner chatted to Grattan Rippon about New Balance in the wake of his generous sponsoring of kit for the 1<sup>st</sup> Team for their Grey Port Elizabeth Tour.

### **Rondebosch Cricket Corner :**

Grattan, I think most parents are aware of your generous sponsorship of Rondebosch Cricket kit over the years. Please would you sketch a short background and history of New Balance.

### **Grattan Rippon:**

Before the year 2000 New Balance was a small agency in South Africa due to the company's policy not to trade here during the apartheid years.

After the elections in 1995 the company, which is US based set out to open a fully fledged subsidiary in South Africa.

The New Balance Company is over 100 years old and trades in more than 30 countries world wide! The most recent countries to join our family include both India and China.

New Balance is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest footwear and apparel manufacturer in the world.

In the year 2000 we started in small offices in Claremont with only five staff members plus a small number of warehouse staff.

Today we employ over 50 people in South Africa and have a sales force nationally of about 20 people! We run our offices out of a 3000sqm warehouse in Diep River.

### **Rondebosch Cricket Corner :**

New Balance has become a household name – especially in families where there are sportsmen / women.

### **Grattan Rippon:**

Yes. A lot of success is due to the wonderful relationships that we have built with our retail partners who include the big sports chains like Sportsman's Warehouse and Total sports to name a few.

Another reason for our phenomenal growth is due to our intense marketing and promotional campaigns which involve a huge amount of grassroots work.

The reason for taking this strong direction is due to the fact that we have an '*endorsed by no one*' policy which means that we don't sponsor big stars or celebrities.

### **Rondebosch Cricket Corner :**

But certainly we are aware of sponsorships of not only Rondebosch but other schools too.

### Grattan Rippon:

Yes, you are quite correct. Instead we put our money into sophisticated R+D programs as well as being aggressively active in social programs around the world.

In South Africa we have built up a strong following by being active with sponsorship at targeted schools which has paid huge dividends as our brand has exploded onto the market.

We are proud to be associated with a school like Rondebosch and look forward to a long and happy relationship.

### Rondebosch Cricket Corner :

Grattan, thank you for taking the time to sketch out a little about the background of New Balance, and on behalf of all sporting codes at Rondebosch, but specifically Cricket, I am sure that Players and Parents appreciate New Balance's support and a special thank you to you for all you have done for Cricket at Rondebosch.

### 1st XI on Tour to Port Elizabeth



RBHS 1st Team - squad that played in the Grey Port Elizabeth Festival 16th to 18th January 2009

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### General Cricket News



## "Maron's Moves"

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### **Brought to you by Pitchvision and RMCSE**

#### How to adopt the killer instinct in your cricket club (part 1)

*This is part one of a two part series.*

There are a lot of ways to win a cricket match. The most effective is to bowl the opposition out. If you can take 10 (or 20) wickets in any format regularly you are going to win a lot of games.

Good bowling is the key to this and good bowling comes from intent: **It's hard to take wickets if you don't have the killer instinct.**

That may seem an obvious thing to say. It's not as obvious to do. I've played in games where teams are just drifting through the opposition's innings waiting for something to happen. The bowling is unimaginative, the captain barely adjusts the field and everyone is hoping for a run out.

**I'm sure you have been there too. It's great if you are batting at the time, not much fun if you are in the field. You have given the momentum to your opponents.**

*It's at points like this that skill becomes less of a consideration. It's all about your mental approach.*

Some might argue that skill is always the number one consideration. I disagree. Look at it like this: **In most matches selected on ability (league cricket for example), most players will be about the same skill level.** Everyone in a first grade Australian cricket match will be about first grade standard. You may get the odd person above or below their current level but they are the exception that proves the rule.

*If everyone has roughly equal skill levels, attitude distinguishes the winners from the losers.*

This has been called a number of things: **Mental toughness, momentum, heart (or ticker), street smarts or steely.** It's all the same.

What can you do to keep the quicks snarling, the spinners giving it a rip and the fielders feeling part of the attack? In short, how do you get the killer instinct?

For me it's all about leadership.

Let's take the example of the Australians in India in 2008. In one game skipper Ponting used part time spin bowlers instead of his highly effective seam attack to catch up with the over rate. India won the game and the series. The critics had a field day.

A leader can install any kind of thinking into a team. In Australia's case it was the wrong approach if they wanted to win the match. The captain was the focus here, but respected players have a job to do too. You don't have to have the armband to be a leader.

If your approach is to try and win every game until there is no chance you can win it, then you need to help everyone keep a killer attitude whether you are a captain or member of the ranks.

[In the next part we look at how you do this.](#)

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## Cricket - 2009 - First Term Cricket Fixtures



### SUMMARY OF FIRST TERM CRICKET FIXTURES

	<u>29-Jan</u>	<u>31-Jan</u>	<u>04-Feb</u>	<u>07-Feb</u>	<u>10-Feb</u>	<u>11-Feb</u>	<u>14-Feb</u>	<u>15-Feb</u>	<u>17-Feb</u>
1stXI		DF Malan (A)		Grey/Woodridge	SACS T20 (A)		Bye	Tonbridge (UK)	Bergvliet T20 D/N
2nd XI		Khayelitsh CC (H)		Grey/Woodridge		St Josephs Coll (KO)	Bye		
3rd XI		Fairbairn College (A)		Norman-Henshilwood (H)			Bye		
4th XI		The Settlers (H)		Westerford (A)			Bye		
5th XI		Zwaanswyk (A)		Cannons Creek (H)			Bye		
6th XI		Fairbairn College (H)		Oude Molen (A)			Bye		
U15A		The Settlers (H)	Bishops T20 (H)	Grey/Woodridge		Wynberg T20 (A)	Bye		
U15B		Fish Hoek		Milnerton HS (A)			Bye		

		(A)						
U15C		Milnerton HS (A)		Bye			Bye	
U15D		Muizenberg HS (A)		Cristel House (H)			Bye	
U14A		WPCC (A)		Grey/Woodridge		Bye KO 1st Round	Bye	
U14B		The Settlers (A)		Somerset College (A)			Bye	
U14C		Table Vie HS (H)		Muizenberg HS (A)			Bye	
U14D		Muizenberg HS (A)		Groote Schuur			Bye	
U14E	Pinelands HS (A)		CBC (H)			Bye		

	<u>18-Feb</u>	<u>21-Feb</u>	<u>23-Feb</u>	<u>25-Feb</u>	<u>28-Feb</u>	<u>04-Mar</u>	<u>07-Mar</u>	<u>11-Mar</u>	<u>13-Mar</u>
1st XI		SACS	Bishops D/N (A)		Paarl Gim		WBHS		Wynberg 40 ov (H)
2nd XI	KO 2nd Round	SACS	40 overs	KO 3rd round	Paarl Gim	KO Q Finals	WBHS	KO Semi Finals	
3rd XI		SACS			Paarl Gim		WBHS		
4th XI		SACS			Paarl Gim		WBHS		
5th XI		SACS			Paarl Gim		WBHS		
6th XI		SACS			Paarl Gim		WBHS		
U15A		SACS		SACS T20 (H)	Paarl Gim		WBHS		
U15B		SACS			Paarl Gim		WBHS		
U15C		SACS			Paarl Gim		WBHS		
U15D		SACS			Paarl Gim		WBHS		
U14A	KO 2nd Round	SACS		KO 3rd round	Paarl Gim	KO Q Finals	WBHS	KO Semi Finals	
U14B		SACS			Paarl Gim		WBHS		
U14C		SACS			Paarl Gim		WBHS		
U14D		SACS			Paarl Gim		WBHS		
U14E	SACS				Paarl Gim		WBHS		Bishops

## TERM 4

<b>10 October</b>	<b>Boland Landbou</b>
<b>U19</b>	<b>1 v 1, 2 v 2, 3 v 4, 4 v 5</b>
<b>U15</b>	<b>A v A, B v C</b>
<b>U14</b>	<b>A v B, B v C</b>

<b>17 October</b>	<b>Bellville</b>
<b>U19</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> v 1<sup>st</sup>2<sup>nd</sup> v U17A 3<sup>rd</sup> v U19B</b>
<b>U15</b>	<b>A v A</b>
<b>U14</b>	<b>A v A</b>

**24 October**            **SACS**

**31 October**           **Paarl BHS**

**7 November**        **WBHS**

**14 November**       **Bishops (at Bishops)**

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### RBHS fixtures w/e Sat 31 January 2009

The matches marked in Yellow have not been confirmed at the time of mailing.



### RBHS fixtures w/e Sat 31 January 2009

TEAM	Opponents	Venue	Field	Day
U19A	DF Malan	DF Malan	A Field	Sat 31

U19B	Khayelitsha CC	RBHS	Cricket A	Sat 31
U19C	Fairbairn College	Fairbairn	Nautilus	Sat 31
U19D	The Settlers	RBHS	Meadow B	Sat 31
U19E	Zwaanswyk	Zwaanswyk	to be confirmed	
U19F	Fairbairn College	RBHS	Meadow A	Sat 31
U15A	The Settlers HS	RBHS	Lower Desert	Sat 31
U15B	Fish Hoek	Fish Hoek	Middle School	Sat 31
U15C	Milnerton HS	Milnerton	Ascot	Sat 31
U15D	Muizenberg HS	Muizenberg	to be confirmed	
U14A	WPCC	WPCC	Colin de Jager	Sat 31
U14B	The Settlers HS	Settlers	Fairfield B	Sat 31
U14C	Table View	RBHS	North	Sat 31
U14D	Muizenberg HS	Muizenberg	to be confirmed	
U14E	Pinelands HS	Pinelands	C Field (no spikes)	Wed 28

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### Message Wall / Graffiti Spot



*Write it here - whatever is on your mind.*

Send a letter to the Editor with your opinions, tips or just news about an Old Rondebosch cricketer's achievement and it will be published here the following week.

[The editor reserves the right to withhold or censor any article that may offend anyone, or if space and size are limiting factors.]

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### The Umpire

Who stands all day in the hot sun watching every ball like a hawk, making difficult decisions, who is second guessed by every spectator whether the spectators were unsighted or not?

Who is seldom thanked by parents and supporters, but is appreciated by the players?

Who makes the match possible, sometimes controversial, but always enjoyable?  
Who would want to be an umpire?

Who do we wish to thank? - the Umpires.

(Anonymous e-mail)

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## Match Results

### RBHS 1st Team Tour to Grey P E Festival - 16 to 18 January 2009

An early start to the season faced the 1<sup>st</sup> X1 squad and with New Year resolutions still fresh in our memories, practice for the tour started.

Two warm-up games, against Wynberg and SACS, saw us come away with a draw and a victory; however the cost of this success was high with a spate of injuries decimating our already depleted bowling attack.

It was because of this that we entered the tournament with some trepidation, knowing that we were coming up against three of the top sides in the country.

### U19A 1st Team vs Grey College Bloemfontein - Away

Grey College Won by 137 Runs

Our first fixture against Grey Bloem served to confirm some of these fears as they rattled up an impressive 294/8 in their allotted 65 overs, with our bowlers unable to contain some impressive stroke-making from the Grey batsmen.

Scott van Breda (3/58) was the most successful bowler. After a disastrous start to our innings it was left to Andrew Morris and last man Luke Kirsten to salvage some Bosch pride. A remarkable last wicket stand spanning more than 20 overs, saw the pair take us to within 10 balls of salvaging a draw before Luke was unfortunately trapped in front lbw. Andrew's innings of 89 not out was Herculean effort and a fine example to his team mates of the concentration required to succeed at this level.

Mr. Rob Dalrymple (Coach)

### U19A 1st Team vs AFFIES Pretoria - Away

Affies Won by 7 Wickets

The second day saw us come up against Affies and after winning the toss we set about posting a competitive score of 233/8 after 65 overs. Captain Stephen Wallace led from the front with an impressive 60 (71 balls) and many of the batsmen contributing well. Again our bowling struggled to contain the batters our tendency to bowl one "four ball" an over meant we were unable to build up any pressure on the Affies batsmen, who reached the score for the loss of only 3 wickets.

Mr. Rob Dalrymple (Coach)

### U19A 1st Team vs KES Johannesburg - Away

KES Won by 8 Wickets

We started promisingly against KES with a bright and breezy opening stand of 46 in 10 overs between Matthew Brache (24) and Aidan Morris(51), but after this partnership was broken, we offered little resistance with only Richard Steinhaus (27) getting over 20 to see us bowled out for 168. KES had little difficulty in reaching the target to achieve an 8 wicket victory.

The tour was a valuable exercise and the results might well have been different if we had been able to field a fit bowling attack.

Mr. Rob Dalrymple (Coach)

### U19A 1st Team vs Northwood Durban Touring Team 20 January 2009 - Home

Northwood won by 1 Wicket

Hot on the heels of a testing tour of Port Elizabeth, the 1<sup>st</sup> X1 faced Northwood Boys' from Durban.

A spectacular top order collapse saw us lose our first 6 wickets with only 34 runs on the board. Once again we set about trying to rebuild our innings and Matthew Norris (51) and Hilio De Abreu (54) proved up to the task, they batted with considerable maturity and mixed aggression with defence in a partnership of 88. We eventually ended on 163 all out – well short of a par score on a flat wicket.

Northwood started well and cashed in on some short-pitched bowling and found themselves comfortably placed on 108/2 with lots of overs remaining. Hilio then got in on the act with the ball and assisted by some excellent seam bowling by both Dewald Keulder and Scott van Breda, Bosch managed to claw their way back into the game.

Tension was high as the 9<sup>th</sup> wicket fell with the visitors still requiring 6 runs for victory, but in spite of some excellent bowling, Northwood managed to scrape through to record a one wicket victory.

The spirit showed by the team was commendable and had some decisions gone in our favour, a different result would have been recorded. Equally pleasing was the fact that our seamers showed that they were nearly back to full fitness in what was by far our best bowling display of the season to date.

Mr. Rob Dalrymple (Coach)

### U19A 1st Team vs Paarl Boys High School – 24 January 2009 - Home

RBHS won by 23 Runs

**No Match Report at time of mailing**

### U19B 2nd Team vs Northwood Durban Touring Team 20 January 2009 - Home

## Northwood Won by 6 Wickets

After a tremendous end to the season last year, a new look second team was looking to start the season off on a good note.

However it was not to be. RBHS won the toss and due to some accurate bowling and some average shot selection Rondebosch found themselves all out for 84 in a poor display of batting. Daniel Gainsford top scored with 14\*.

When RBHS took to the field, it didn't start any better. Northwood were 40-0 after 10.2 overs. However Ighsaan Allie, returning for his second spell, restored a bit of pride for Rondebosch by taking 3 wickets while Jaco Zeeman took 1. Northwood passed RBHS's total with 4 wickets down in 22.3 overs.

The seconds will have to pick up their performance in the next few weeks if they want to compete with the other big schools.

Michael Sparkman (Captain)

### U19C 3rd Team vs

No Fixture – start of season

### U19D 4th Team vs

No Fixture – start of season

### U19E 5th Team vs

No Fixture – start of season

### U15A vs Northwood Durban Touring Team 20 January 2009 - Home

RBHS Won by 10 Wickets

No Match Report at time of mailing

### U15A vs Menlo Park Touring Team - Pretoria – 24 January 2009 - Home

RBHS Won by 154 runs

RBHS - 205 for 7 in 65 overs	Devlin Quinn	48 runs
	Hayes van den Berg	44 runs
Menlo Park – 51 all out	Ryan Levy	9 overs - 3 for 19
	Alex Mather	2 overs - 2 for 4
	Justin Kraak	7 overs – 2 for 10

With lots of momentum and high spirits after their convincing 10 wicket win over Northwood High School from Durban earlier last week, the boys were ready to face yet another touring team from Menlo Park High School from Pretoria.

RBHS won the toss, elected to bat and rose to the occasion superbly. After losing our first wicket fairly quickly against good bowling, our top order batsmen consolidated and displayed good concentration and technique combined with great temperament to bat for 65 overs and accumulate 205 runs for the loss of 7 wickets.

Captain Devlin Quinn, who captained the team with authority the whole day, ended with 48 runs and was superbly supported by newcomer Hayes van den Berg with 44 runs. The boys showed a lot of character and their first target to bat the full compliment of 65 overs, was easily achieved.

Clinical and disciplined bowling from RBHS saw the opponents 15 runs for 3 wickets in only their third over. Pressure was never released and Menlo Park was never allowed to recover from this early setback. Ryan Levy bowled a brilliant spell of 9 overs to end with 3 wickets for 19 runs and was well supported by an opening spell of 2 for 10 from Justin Kraak, Alex Mather ( 2 for 4), and spinner Raees Sayed (2 for 15).

With a long and challenging season ahead of us, these two early victories were just the correct medicine for the boys to work even harder at practice and show their hunger to be one of the best U/15 cricket teams from RBHS in many years!

Mr. Johan Snijmann (Coach)

U15B vs

No Fixture – start of season

U15C vs

No Fixture – start of season

U15D vs

No Fixture – start of season

U14A vs

No Fixture – start of season

U14B vs

No Fixture – start of season

U14C vs

No Fixture – start of season

U14D vs

No Fixture – start of season

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