CORNWALL COUNTY CRICKET CLUB COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE 2019 SEASON

The calendar year of 2019 was one of sadness off the field for the club. Last year's report marked the deaths of Past Presidents Francis Julian Williams CBE (Caerhays) and the Rev'd Canon Ken Rogers, who both passed away in the first six weeks of the year. As 2019 progressed sadly we lost another two Life Members. Former Cornish Crusaders President Michael Williams (aged 86) on 31 March and former County Secretary Tom Meneer (aged 93) on 15 July. He was in post from 1978 to 1991. Then there was further sad news in the autumn with the passing of Peter George (aged 74) on 28 September. The spouse of our Hon Secretary, Anita George, Peter was elected to the General Committee in 2001. He served on the Executive Committee from its formation in 2004 and was a regular member of our contingent on away games. He will be very sadly missed.

It was also the end of an era as the *Minor Counties Cricket Association* morphed into the *National Counties Cricket Association* for 2020. As well as the administration changes there is a new format with a change to two-divisional championship cricket. We will play four games in division two with a promotion the aim. Both the 50 over and T20 competitions will now be played in groups leading to knock out stages.

On the field, it was not the best of seasons though there were some highlights. Following a couple of early T20 wins, the last five ties were all lost to finish bottom of the group. In the KO Trophy, there was a 35 run home success over Buckinghamshire before an 86 run defeat at the eventual champions, Berkshire. The Championship began positively with an innings win over Oxfordshire but defeats followed at Wiltshire and Shropshire, before a rain-affected draw at home to Dorset. A National Club T20 fixture clash saw an inexperienced XI fielded against Berkshire, eight had less than five previous appearances. However, to their credit, the game was drawn to end Berkshire's 11 match winning run in the West Division. Hopes of a top-five finish, and a place in division one, ended on the second day against Devon, thanks to the points gained by Wiltshire and Cheshire elsewhere. However, Tom Dinnis took 8-49, the best Cornish figures for 21 years, to secure an 86 run success which also condemned Devon to Division 2 in 2020.

Unicorns T20 Competition

5 May Cornwall 173-7, Wiltshire 161-9 & Wiltshire 147-6, Cornwall 145-8 at Werrington

We got off to a brisk start with skipper Matt Rowe getting 52 off 31 balls before being dismissed in the ninth over. Tom Wells made 54 on debut to get the total to 173-7. Jack Haines (40) and Neil Clark (32) got Wiltshire to 118-5 off 13 overs. Bradley Dawson (25) got the target down to 25 off three overs. Wells only conceded two runs in the 18th over. In the next Matt Rowe took wickets with successive balls and a run-out followed to effectively seal the victory.

Wiltshire were restricted to 147-6 in the second game with Dawson getting 39 not out after they had been 89-6. Slow left armer Lewis Goldsworthy had excellent figures of 4-1-18-3. Christian Purchase made 34 in the reply but we were up against it at 78-7 off 13 overs after Jake Lintott took 4-18. However, Goldsworthy (47) and Scott Harvey (25no) reduced the requirement to 13 off the last over. Goldsworthy hit a six off the first ball but only four came from the next four deliveries and with three required off the last the England Under 19 player holed out with a skier to cover point.

Werrington – Cornwall 173-7 (TJ Wells 54, MH Rowe 52; JB Lintott 2-25, T Afridi 2-27), Wiltshire 161-9 (JO Haines 40, NJ Clark 32, BC Dawson 25, ECG Young 23; MH Rowe 2-19, TJ Wells 2-31). Cornwall (2pts) beat Wiltshire (nil) by 12 runs.

Werrington – Wiltshire 147-6 (BC Dawson 39, J Goodwin 23; LP Goldsworthy 3-18, GM Smith 2-23), Cornwall 145-8 (LP Goldsworthy 47, CBF Purchase 34, SA Harvey 25no; JB Lintott 4-18. ABF Godsal 2-35). Wiltshire (2pts) beat Cornwall (nil) by two runs.

26 May Wales MC 132-8, Cornwall 71-1 (8.1) RSP & Wales MC 123-7, Cornwall 121-9 at Wadebridge

A return to Egloshayle Road for the first time in 31 years saw the weather play its part in the first game which began ten minutes late. Wales get off to a good start with 32 on the board in three overs. They did lose Sam Pearce (22) to give Jonny Ludlam a wicket on debut. At halfway the rate had been reduced to 72-3. Opener Joe Voke went on to make 36 but the Cornish attack kept reasonable control to restrict the total to 132-8 with an over-reduced to rain. Greg Smith was the pick with 4-20 from four overs and Ludlam ended with 3-25 from three. The Rowe brothers got our reply off to a good start adding 30 in the first three overs with the boundary found six times. The stand was broken at the end of the sixth over when Tom Rowe departed for 31 off 27 balls. An over later rain forced the players off but with the Duchy on 71-1, they were way ahead of the par score of 48 to take the points. Matt Rowe was 32 not out off 19 balls.

In the second game, Voke was again in form making 32 before being second out at 50 to Lewis Goldsworthy in the seventh over. Chris Matthews made 20 and Oskar Kolk 32 at a run a ball but at 123-7 in the 20 overs, Cornwall's bowlers had

seemingly done their job. Goldsworthy took 2-19 off four overs and St Just club-mate Dan Lello 2-25. The reply saw Tom Rowe fall in the second over without scoring. The game swung with three big wickets falling in successive overs. Matt Rowe (21) was quickly followed by Greg Smith and Christian Purchase at 45-4 off seven overs. After ten overs the home side were halfway to the target but history repeated itself as three wickets again fell in successive overs with the departures of Tom Wells, James Turpin on his home patch and Paul Smith (18) at 68-7. Goldsworthy and Lello then combined with the bat to add 47 off six overs before Lello (25) was thrown out by a good piece of fielding. It meant ten were required off the last over but just as at Werrington Goldsworthy skied and was dismissed for 21. Seven were needed off two balls but Scott Harvey only managed two's to leave the Welsh celebrating.

Wadebridge – Wales MC 132-8 (JH Voke 36, SJ Pearce 22; GS Smith 4-20, JP Ludlam 2-25), Cornwall 71-1 (8.1 overs) MH Rowe 32no, TC Rowe 31). Rain stopped play; match abandoned. Cornwall (2pts) beat Wales MC by nine wickets (D/L/S Method) in a match reduced to 19 overs.

Wadebridge - Wales MC 123-7 (JH Voke 32, O Kolk 32, CD Matthews 20; LP Goldsworthy 2-19, CD Lello 2-25), Cornwall 121-9 (CD Lello 25, MH Rowe 21, LP Goldsworthy 21; SJ Pearce 3-14, P Sisodiya 2-9, A Norman 2-32). Wales MC (2pts) beat Cornwall by two runs.

at Wimborne

Our hopes of T20 glory this year ended at Wimborne Minster with two defeats. In the first game, Tom Dinnis struck with successive balls in the second over. Somerset Academy player Sam Young, who played for Cornwall in the Unicorns KO Trophy the previous year, made 28 off 21 balls. He became a third victim for Dinnis (3-21) and when Lewis Goldsworthy struck the hosts were 47-4 in the tenth over. At 88-6, at the beginning of the 17th, Cornwall looked well placed. However, Somerset one day all-rounder Max Waller hit 36 not out off 27 balls. Josh McCoy (19no) supported to post 125, with 37

Dorset 125-6, Cornwall 104-7 & Dorset 156-7, Cornwall 104

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Dorset again batted first but this time got off to a good start with Young and Mike Porter adding 45 inside six overs. Young went on to make 52 off 38 balls before being dismissed by Wells at 75 in the tenth over. Alex Eckland made 37 before becoming one of three wickets for Goldsworthy, at a cost of 24 runs. The last three overs produced 31 runs to see a useful 156-7 posted. We virtually reversed our order but were bowled out for 104 with three overs unused. Scott Harvey top-scored with 31 off 24 balls. Opener Matt Robins and skipper Matt Rowe, batting at number nine, were the only players to get double figures.

Wimborne – Dorset 125-6 (MTC Waller 36no, SJ Young 28, JI McCoy 19no; TJ Dinnis 3-21, LP Goldsworthy 2-19), Cornwall 104-7 (TJ Wells 42, GM Smith 17; JKH Naik 3-28, BJ Currie 2-14). Dorset (2pts) beat Cornwall by 21 runs.

Wimborne – Dorset 156-7 (SJ Young 52, AJ Eckland 37; LP Goldsworthy 3-24, TJ Wells 2-34), Cornwall 104 (SA Harvey 31; JKH Naik 4-10, MTC Waller 2-19, BJ Currie 2-22). Dorset (2pts) beat Cornwall by 52 runs.

16 June Devon 123-8, Cornwall 110-9 & Cornwall 115-6, Devon 117-2 at Instow

A debutant was sixteen-year-old Archie Pascoe, the grandson of the legendary Cornwall bowler Mike Trenwith, who was present at Sandhills. The first game saw Alex Barrow hold the Devon innings together making 67 and adding 65 for the fourth wicket with Matt Thompson (23). With four wickets falling in the last five balls the innings ended at 123-8. Matt Rowe took 3-18. Matt Robins (36) and Rowe (20) got the Cornish innings off to a good start putting on 55 inside ten overs. A collapse saw only 110-9 reached to lose by 13 runs.

We batted first in the second game, that was reduced to 17 overs but found ourselves 46-4 in the ninth over when Robins was leg before for 30. Mark Gribble (22no) and Scott Harvey (19no) added 43 over the last five overs to end on 115-6. Zac Bess and Josh Mailling had 46 on the board within five overs of the Devon reply. On their departures, to Lewis Goldsworthy and Rowe respectively, it was left to Ben Green (37no) and Barrow (25no) to get the Devonians comfortably over the line with eight wickets and four overs to spare. The group decider was at Salisbury where Dorset cemented their place in Finals Day with a victory against Wiltshire.

Instow – Devon 123-8 (AWR Barrow 67, MW Thompson 23; MH Rowe 3-18, TJ Dinnis 2-17), Cornwall 110-9 (ML Robins 36, MH Rowe 20; DJ Goodey 3-23, HM Whitlock 2-18, ZGG Bess 2-21). Devon (2pts) beat Cornwall by 13 runs.

Instow – Cornwall 115-6 (ML Robins 30, MH Gribble 22no, SA Harvey 19no; GM Smith 16; HM Whitlock 3-14), Devon 117-2 (BGF Green 37no, ZGG Bess 28, AWR Barrow 25no, JHJ Mailling 23). Devon (2pts) beat Cornwall by eight wickets in a match reduced to 17 overs

Unicorns Trophy

2 June Cornwall 189-8 Buckinghamshire 154 at Truro

The forecast morning rain duly materialised and it was two o'clock before play got underway at Boscawen Park, with the match reduced to 40 overs. Cornwall elected to bat but quickly lost Goldsworthy at the end of the second over. That became 42-3 in 12 overs with Tom Rowe and brother Matt (20) following. Hopes of a really big total took a blow when Purchase went for 22 and Wells and Harvey could only manage six runs between them. We were 91-5 with fifteen overs to go. Greg Smith found a partner in Turpin and the pair added 36 for the seventh wicket before Smith was run out for 35. Turpin followed for 19 but an unbroken ninth-wicket stand effectively was the difference between the teams. Tommy Sturgess made 32 not out off 26 balls and Dan Lello 22 not out off 18 balls to give the innings a crucial late boost. They added 52 in the closing six overs. Garry Park and Stephen Croft took two wickets each. The Bucks innings got off to the worst of starts as the in-form Conrad Louth was bowled by Tom Dinnis fourth ball. Dinnis (3-31) and Sturgess (2-19) reduced the visitors to 31-5 after ten overs. Goldsworthy took the important wicket of former first-class player Garry Park and at 56-6 it looked 'job done'. However, Tom Hampton (33) went onto the attack but after hitting Goldsworthy (2-37) for 16 off three balls the slow left-armer had him caught behind with the next ball. Dan Marles (46) and George Russell (28) put on 46 for the eighth wicket to give concerns but Wells picked up two late wickets as the last three fell for 13 runs. Harvey took five catches behind the stumps.

Truro – Cornwall 189-8 (GS Smith 35, TG Sturgess 32, CBF Purchase 22, CD Lello 22no, MH Rowe 20; SR Croft 2-35, GT Park 2-41) beat Buckinghamshire 154 (DL Marles 46, TRG Hampton 33, GA Russell 28; TJ Dinnis 3-31, TJ Wells 2-13, TG Sturgess 2-19, LP Goldsworthy 2-37) by 35 runs.

30 June Berkshire 269, Cornwall 183 at Falkland CC, Newbury.

We opened the bowling with debutant Martin Weightman. He was a late replacement for Tommy Sturgess. The 27-year-old plays in the Notts Premier League with Tom Rowe, for Kimberley Institute. The left-arm seamer only conceded 11 runs in his opening six-over spell. It was new-ball partner Tom Dinnis that made the first strike bowling Andy Rishton for 22, with the score at 32 in the eighth over. Andrew Libby followed up to have Tom Scriven lbw for 17 at 80, in the fifteenth over. Richard Morris Henley clubmate Matt Rowe dismissed him for 25. Matt Robins accounted for James Morris three overs later. When Euan Woods was lbw to Rowe and opener Dan Lincoln (58) stumped off Libby by Scott Harvey the Cornish had high hopes. It was not to be though as Chris Peploe (62) and Stewart Davidson (52) added 98 for the seventh wicket over the next 14 overs. Robins picked up a couple of late wickets to end with 3 for 33. Libby (2-49) and Rowe (2-42) bowled full ten over spells. Our start could hardly have been worse as Robins was lbw to Woods to the first ball. Then Tom Nugent struck to remove both Rowe brothers and we were 18-3 in the sixth over. Weightman made 24 before being trapped in front by Peploe and Christian Purchase hit just the one boundary in a five-minute stay. Tom Wells made 35 in eighty minutes at the crease to all but see the hundred up. James Turpin and Harvey made four apiece but it was Paul Smith that prolonged matters. He hit a six and 4 fours in his 51. Libby (27no) and Dinnis (12) added 26 for the last wicket. Ollie Birts ended with 3-48 and Woods took 2-28 from a ten-over spell. Nugent's brace cost 25 runs from four overs. Just as the previous year we went out of the competition on Berkshire soil.

Newbury – Berkshire 269 (CT Peploe 62, DJ Lincoln 58, SR Davidson 52, RK Morris 25, JAJ Rishton 22; ML Robins 3-33, MH Rowe 2-42, AC Libby 2-49), Cornwall 183 (PS Smith 51, TJ Wells 35, AC Libby 27, MW Weightman 24; ODW Birts 3-48, TM Nugent 2-25, ED Woods 2-28). Berkshire beat Cornwall by 86 runs.

Unicorns Counties Championship

23-25 June Cornwall 317, Oxfordshire 126 & 149 at Truro

We recorded a remarkable victory over Oxfordshire at Truro in a game all over inside five sessions. There was no play on the Sunday due to rain. On Monday we batted first and did well to be bowled out for 317 in the 87th over. The top-order produced with Matt Robins hitting 28 before Scott Harvey (73) and Jack Paull (22) took the total to 137 before the second wicket fell. That became 163-5 either side of lunch but Greg Smith (35) and James Turpin (57) staged a recovery. Andrew Libby made 34 in a very useful eighth-wicket stand of 55. The extended evening session saw the visitors collapse to 103-7. Tom Dinnis struck twice before Matt Rowe and Smith tied down the middle order. On the third morning, the innings was wrapped up within an hour at 126 all out. Smith ended with 5 for 35 from 23 overs and Rowe took 2 for 48 from a 26 over spell. With a deficit of 191 Oxfordshire were asked to follow on and immediately found trouble. Within two overs they had lost two wickets. At lunch, they had recovered to 65 for 5 but after the interval went on to be bowled out for 149 to lose by an innings and 42 runs at 3.30pm. Libby took 4-50 with two each for Dinnis, Smith and Rowe. In terms of time, it was our third quickest win in the 19 seasons of three-day cricket.

Truro – Cornwall 317 (86.3 ovs) (SA Harvey 73, JR Turpin 57, GM Smith 35, AC Libby 34, ML Robins 28, JA Paull 22; JOG Thomas 3-60; OD Clarke 3-95, GM Andrew 2-63), Oxfordshire 126 (75.5 ovs) (HE Eltham 27, TJ Price 23; GM Smith 5-35, TJ Dinnis 2-20, MH Rowe 2-48)& (following on) 149 (61.3 ovs) (JLN Garrett 54, RI Kaufman 29, JA Cater 21; AC Libby 4-50, TJ Dinnis 2-23, GM Smith 2-34, MH Rowe 2-38). Cornwall (23pts) beat Oxfordshire (4pts) by an innings and 42 runs.

7-9 July Cornwall 184 & 87, Wiltshire 345 at Corsham

We were well beaten by an innings and 74 runs with the match over 45 minutes before tea on the second afternoon. Only the defeat to Berkshire at Penzance in 2001 has been quicker since the introduction of three-day cricket that year, and only six games have ended before tea on day 2 including, remarkably, the last two. Scott Harvey, making his 33rd championship appearance, took over the captaincy for the rest of the season. Prior to the game, the County Club issued a brief statement saying "Cornwall Captain Matthew Rowe is not being considered for selection for the rest of the season due to the failure of trust between himself and the selection committee". On winning the toss all went well at first for us reaching 155-2. Openers Lewis Goldsworthy (30) and Harvey (31) put on 75 and the Penzance pairing of Jack Paull (40) and Greg Smith (32) shared a stand of 62. Then it all went wrong as we lost eight wickets for 29 runs to be bowled out for 184. The spinners did the damage with Jake Lintott taking 5-53 and Joe King 3-27. In reply, Wiltshire closed the day on 235-5. Openers Tom Morton (58) and Jake Goodwin (80) put on 85 in 11 overs. Wiltshire added a further 106 runs in 33 overs before being dismissed 35 minutes before lunch on day two with Lintott and Tahir Afridi hitting fifties. Libby took 4-80. We had a deficit of 161 runs and an awkward 20 minutes to bat before lunch. It didn't go well as Kent was bowled by Afridi in the third over and fellow teenager Goldsworthy was caught behind two overs later to leave us 19-2 at the break. Just as they did in the first innings Jack Paull (20) and Greg Smith (17) put a partnership together adding 35 before Afridi (3-14) struck again to have Paull caught behind by Tom Morton. Smith was leg before to Lintott in the next over to make it 56-4. In less than an hour, it was all over with the last six wickets crashing for only 16 runs. Harvey was last out for 13 and Christian Purchase was the only other into double figures. The spinners ruled again with Lintott (5-26) taking ten in the match and Joe King took 2-16.

Corsham – Cornwall 184 (JA Paull 40, GM Smith 32, SA Harvey 31, LP Goldsworthy 30; JB Lintott 5-53, JM King 3-27) & 87 (JA Paull 20; JB Lintott 5-26, TG Afridi 3-14, JM King 2-16), Wiltshire 345 (J Goodwin 80, TI Morton 58, JB Lintott 53, TG Afridi 51; AC Libby 4-80, GM Smith 2-83, LP Goldsworthy 2-84). Wiltshire (24 pts) beat Cornwall (5pts) by an innings and 74 runs.

21-23 July Cornwall 249 & 175, Shropshire 195 & 233-5 at Bridgnorth

The game ebbed and flowed over the first two days at High Town. Seventeen-year-old St Austell seam bowler Conway Gilbert made his county debut. We were bowled out for 249 with 27 overs unused. At 59-3 we needed a partnership and it came thanks to opener Charlie Kent, in his third game, and Tom Wells making a championship debut. Kent reached his maiden fifty, at the age of 17 years and a month. It was part of a special few minutes for Cornish Cricket as thirty miles down the road Lewis Goldsworthy, who would have played in this game, reached the same landmark for England Under 19's against India in an ODI at Worcester. He repeated the feat against Bangladesh the following day. Cornwall looked well set at 149-3 off 38 overs at lunch but it all went wrong on the resumption as the innings slipped to 167-6. It was James Turpin that got the innings back on the rails, at the home of the Seven Valley railway. He hit 2 sixes and 4 fours in his 45. At stumps, the hosts were 180-6. On the second morning, Shropshire lost their last four wickets for 15 runs to concede a deficit of 54 on the first innings. Greg Smith took 5-52. Cornwall then crashed to 31-6 and a third successive two-day finish this year looked odds on. However, Matt Robins came to the rescue with 94 and the hosts were set 230 in mid-afternoon. Robins turned the course of the game hitting 94 off 98 balls with 3 sixes and 11 fours. It was his third-highest championship score in 126 innings following his 118 & 97 against Shropshire at St Austell eight years ago. James Turpin hit 35 before being out just before lunch, that included 2 sixes. The hosts were looking good at 99-1 but loss four wickets in the final ninety minutes of the day to leave some work to do on the final morning. The home side started the day needing a further 55 runs but Warrick Fynn and Jack Edwards put on an unbroken 70 for the sixth wicket to win the match by five wickets within an hour's play.

Bridgnorth – Cornwall 249 (TJ Wells 87, CJ Kent 52, JR Turpin 45, GS Smith 27; WES Flynn 6-64, BJ Roberts 2-49), & 175 (ML Robins 94, JR Turpin 35; WES Flynn 5-60, AN Kervezee 3-66), Shropshire 195 (WES Flynn 41, X Clarke 34, SM Gregory 33, AN Kervezee 24, JD Carrasco 23; GS Smith 5-52, TJ Wells 3-45) & (Target 230) 233-5 (WES Flynn 56no, JD Carrasco 50, JO Edwards 38no, W Parton 29, X Clarke 22, SM Gregory 21; AC Libby 3-75). Shropshire (21 pts) beat Cornwall (6pts) by five wickets.

4-6 August Dorset 136 & 275-8, Cornwall 234 at Redruth

The game with Dorset was affected by the weather. The first-ever three-day fixture at Redruth saw a heavy shower just after five o'clock on Sunday end play early with Cornwall 53-3 in reply to Dorset's 136 all out. The day began dramatically with the visitors losing their first six wickets for 58. They slipped to 90-8 at lunch. Simon Woodruff (18) and Jigar Naik (27 not out) added a useful 46 for the last two wickets. Tom Wells took the early wickets. He ended with 4-65 off 21 overs. Greg Smith chipped in with 2-24 and Andrew Libby picked up a couple of late wickets. Play was interrupted before lunch on the second day on a couple of occasions and called off a little earlier than the scheduled extended finish. The day began well for Cornwall with Matt Robins and Greg Smith adding 94 for the fourth wicket in 19 overs. It ended when Smith (30) nicked behind to left-arm seamer Simon Woodruff. Tom Wells made 19 before Woodruff had him leg before, attempting an on drive. James Turpin (five) quickly followed, held by Jigar Naik at second slip to give Woodruff a third victim (3-51). Christian Purchase, on his home ground, hit Josh Digby for a straight six before being lbw to Naik, shouldering arms, for 18. Charlie Kent was also leg before to the spinner, playing back, and Andrew Libby was caught behind. At the other end, Robins watched it all, facing 151 balls and over three hours at the crease. He was eventually last out, and just as in his last county innings at Shropshire,

dismissed for 94. He hit ten fours and a straight six off Naik (4-74). At 234 all out in 66 overs, we had a useful lead of 98. Things looked promising when Jonny Ludlam had Alex Turner caught behind in the three overs before tea. However, skipper Luke Webb (38no) and Alex Eckland (51no) patiently took the total to 95 at the close, off 45 overs. Rain prevented play until 12.30pm on the final day. At lunch, Dorset were 135-3 – a lead of 37 runs. Jonny Ludlam had taken all three wickets. Skipper Luke Webb was joined by Ed Ellis and the pair added 72 before Ellis was caught off Charlie Kent for 33. Webb followed caught off Smith for 87 and it got interesting when Luke Matthews and Josh Digby fell within three balls in Smith's 25th over. Fisher and Woodruffe dug in however to settle Dorset nerves. Smith took 3-79 from a 35 over spell. Ludlam ended with 3-62 and Andrew Libby's 22 overs only cost 29 runs.

Redruth – Dorset 136 (JKH Naik 27; TJ Wells 4-65, AC Libby 2-1, GM Smith 2-24) & 275-8 (LA Webb 87, AJ Eckland 62, EJ Ellis 33, HS Fisher 32, ST Woodruff 29no; J P Ludlam 3-62, GM Smith 3-79). Cornwall 234 (ML Robins 94, GM Smith 30, SA Harvey 29; JKH Naik 4-74, ST Woodruff 3-51). Match Drawn. Cornwall 10pts, Dorset 8pts

18-20 August Berkshire 226 & 208-8d, Cornwall 186 & 175-8 at St Austell

A young Cornwall team produced a remarkable performance to draw with the champions-elect. It ended Berkshire's 12 matches winning run in three-day cricket over the last two years. Results elsewhere though meant they won the Western title for the fourth year running, with a game to spare. Berkshire have won the last three finals, all against Lincolnshire, and not suffered a three-day defeat for five years - the last being against Devon in 2014. In contrast, with player unavailability, Cornwall fielded a young team with an average age of 22 under the leadership of Andrew Libby for the first time. In a line up of six changes only he, Christian Purchase and James Turpin had played in more than four championship games. The Redruth CC brothers Toby and Ellis Whiteford made their county debuts along with Callington's Aidan Libby, brother of Jake. Dan Lello, in only his second three-day game, opened the bowling, having just returned from a broken finger and Tim Wyatt, winning his fourth cap, has only just started bowling for Truro this season. It could be argued Cornwall had the best of the first day dismissing the champions for a modest 226 in 73 overs, having been 107-6 at one stage. At the close, we were 99-3 after 29 overs. Heavy rain around dawn had meant a drying out process at Wheal Eliza, in bright and breezy conditions. Play finally got underway ninety minutes late and was extended until 7.30pm. Andrew Libby led from the front to take 5-46 and Lello took 2-30. The 19-year-old off-spinner Ellis Whiteford bowled 22 overs taking 1-84 on debut. After rain got under the covers overnight there was frustration on the second day with play not able to get underway until 4 pm. Cornwall were bowled out for 186 to have a first-innings deficit of 40 runs. After Toby Whiteford made 32 the previous evening Purchase got 44, Lello 27 and Turpin 26. Tom Nugent took 5-53. Berkshire lost three early wickets for 24 before reaching 53-3 at stumps. Libby took 3-71 to end with eight wickets in the match. Berkshire declared their second innings on 207 for 8 on the final afternoon, but it took them 78 overs. Set 248 Cornwall were going well before losing wickets and settling for the draw in the last hour, ending on 175 for 8 in a tense finish.

St Austell – Berkshire 226 (CT Peploe 41, LE Beavan 26, SD Perera 25, M Williams 25, JAJ Rishton 23, TM Nugent 23, JLB Davies 22; AC Libby 5-46, CD Lello 2-30) & 208-8d (JLB Davies 111, CT Peploe 20; AC Libby 3-71, CD Lello 2-45), Cornwall 186 (CBF Purchase 44, TRD Whiteford 32, CD Lello 27, JR Turpin 26; TM Nugent 5-53, CT Peploe 3-46) & (Target 248) 175-8 (TR Wyatt 36, CJ Kent 34, AW Bone 31, TRD Whiteford 22; ED Woods 3-43, LE Beavan 2-27, CT Peploe 2-40). Match Drawn. Berkshire 10pts, Cornwall 9pts.

1-3 September Cornwall 252 & 306, Devon 352-7 & 120 at Exeter

We produced a spectacular victory against Devon at Exeter. We were bowled out for 252 in 63 overs on the opening day having won the toss. After openers, Scott Harvey and Charlie Kent made 26 and Greg Smith hit 48. From 156-7 there were crucial late runs from Turpin (42) and Lello (43). Devon replied by batting a full 90 overs to reach 352-7. Opener Mitchell Pugh made 78 and acting skipper, Peter Trego, who played for Cornwall last year, made 72. James Burke and Matthew Thompson also hit half-centuries. Tom Dinnis, on his return to the team, took three for 122. Cornwall were bowled out for 206 in their second innings thanks to a last-wicket stand of 70 between Tom Dinnis (41) and Andrew Libby (34no). Matt Robins made 63 and Christian Purchase 57. Set 207 to win Devon were then dismissed for 118 to be denied a place in division 1. Tom Dinnis took a career-best 8 for 49. The best county figures for 21 years. Match figures of 11-171. Both teams will play in the new division 2 with Dorset edging out sixth-placed Cornwall by just five points. Cornwall's fate was decided on the second afternoon with the events at Marlborough and Thame. Wiltshire beat Shropshire by seven wickets, after rolling them over for 123 in both innings. Meanwhile, Cheshire took maximum bonus points against Oxfordshire. With Cornwall having dropped three first-innings bonus points that was enough to seal our fate. Devon's prospects depended on the result against us, a match they had to win to get into Division 1, following Wiltshire's victory.

Exeter – Cornwall 252 (GM Smith 48, CD Lello 43, JR Turpin 42, SA Harvey 26, CJ Kent 26; JE Burke 3-34, DJ Goodey 3-46, M Pugh 2-28, HM Whitlock 2-58) & 306 (ML Robins 63, CBF Purchase 57, TJ Dinnis 41, AC Libby 34, GM Smith 22; HM Whitlock 4-88, JE Burke 4-41), Devon 352-7 (90overs) (M Pugh 78, PD Trego 72, MW Thompson 65no, JE Burke 55, DJ Goodey 28; TJ Dinnis 3-122) & 120 (JE Burke 31, HCB Ward 22; TJ Dinnis 8-49). Cornwall (21pts) beat Devon (8pts) by 86 runs.

Over the season we used 23 players in the championship, with two (Andrew Libby and James Turpin) playing in all six games. There were championship debuts for seven players – Dylan Caddy, Conway Gilbert, Aidan Libby, Jonny Ludlam, Tom Wells, Ellis Whiteford and Toby Whiteford. No players were capped.

Matt Robins made 297 runs at an average of 49.50, Greg Smith 223 runs at 27.87, James Turpin 227 runs at 22.70 and Scott Harvey 200 at 25.00. No Centuries were hit. Matt Robins made the highest score of 94 (twice). Andrew Libby was again the leading wicket-taker for the fourth season with 24 wickets at 20.16 each. Greg Smith took 20 wickets. Tom Dinnis with 8-49 produced the best figures for 21 years. Andrew Libby and Greg Smith (twice) also had five-wicket championship hauls.

In the Unicorns KO Trophy, 15 players took part in the two games. Three players – Paul Smith, Martin Weightman (debut) and Tommy Sturgess played in Trophy games only.

Smith made the top score of 51 in his only innings. Dinnis took four wickets. The highest partnership was the 52 by Tommy Sturgess & Dan Lello for the ninth wicket against Buckinghamshire.

In the Unicorns T20 Competition, 18 players took part in the eight games. Two players – Will Harris & Archie Pascoe (debut) played in two T20 games only.

Tom Wells made 145 runs at 20.71 and hit the highest score of 54. Matt Rowe made 142 runs at 20.28. Lewis Goldsworthy took 12 wickets and Greg Smith ten plus the best figures of 4-20. The highest partnership was the 67 by Lewis Goldsworthy & Scott Harvey for the eighth wicket against Wiltshire.

A total of 28 players (+1 compared to 2018) represented the county in all competitions in 2019.

Our thanks to Dave Eggins who carried out the scoring duties in 2019. The usual vote of thanks is extended to our host clubs, their grounds staff, and their caterers for their excellent hospitality. The committee also thanks to the local media for their coverage during 2019. Finally, the club were grateful again to Richard Sharp for producing the match scorecards during the season.

2019 SEASON FACTS & FIGURES

Highest Score (Championship)	For Against	317 352-7	Oxfordshire Devon	Truro Exeter		
Lowest Score (Championship)	For Against	87 120	Wiltshire Devon	Corshai Exeter	m	
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County Debuts	(9)		7) - DM Caddy, CA TRD Whiteford - MW Weightma - AP Pascoe	1.	rt, AP Libby, JP Ludlam, T	'J Wells, EAF Whiteford,

Cornwall Over 50's Report 2019

The ECB Team reached the knockout stages for the fifth time in six years. There were wins over pre-season group favourites Devon at Penzance, Dorset at Launceston, the Channel Islands at Grampound Road - which included 127 from Trevor Lee - and Wiltshire at Malmesbury. In the last 16 Cornwall narrowly lost to Gloucestershire at Frocester CC as the hosts chased down 277 in 45 overs largely due to an unbeaten 100 from former England ODI skipper Mark Alleyne. Jim McKenna passed Nigel Cock's 1907 runs to become Cornwall's leading all time run scorer in the ECB50+ competition.

The SCC team reached the last eight before losing to Wales at Pontarddulais. Six of the ten group games were won with the game at Hampshire tied. Anton Luiten and Mike Blake both made centuries.

O60s - A good first year and signs of being more competitive going forward.

A total of 26 championship matches were played plus a couple that were replayed.

Anton Luiten played for all three teams making 19 appearances in total. He has now played 83 matches for Cornwall at 050/60 level.

51 players represented Cornwall

Plans for 2020: Continue with teams in the ECB, SCC and O60s competitions in 2020.

The ECB team will travel to Guernsey to play the Channel Isles and the O60s group matches have been extended to 8 counties, so 14 matches including trips to Warwickshire and Worcestershire.

Election of Captains and Officers for 2020:

ECB Captain: Paul Clements ECB Team Manager: Ian Bishop SCC Captain: Mark Southcott

SCC Team Manager: Simon Hamilton

O60s Team Management: Stuart Ellis & Chris Dennis with help from Bob Fleming

Friendlies Manager: Paul Higgins Finance: Jon & Jackie Nance Sponsorship Chair: Pete West

Chair: Trevor Lee

Trevor Lee Cornwall Over 50's Chairman

Cornwall CCC Averages 2019

Cornwall Batting A	verages 2019	9 Champ	ionshi	p									
Player	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	BF	SR	100	50	0	4s	6
ML Robins	4	6	0	297	94	49.50	450	66.00	0	3	1	39	
GM Smith	5	8	0	223	48	27.87	296	75.33	0	0	0	33	_
TRD Whiteford	1	2	0	54	32	27.00	78	69.23	0	0	0	6	
SA Harvey	5	8	0	200	73	25.00	425	47.05	0	1	0	22	
TJ Wells	3	5	0	123	87	24.60	174	70.68	0	1	1	18	
JR Turpin	6	10	0	227	57	22.70	404	56.18	0	1	1	23	_
CD Lello	2	4	0	90	43	22.50	131	68.70	0	0	0	14	
LP Goldsworthy	1	2	0	44	30	22.00	80	55.00	0	0	0	8	
TJ Dinnis	3	5	2	65	41	21.66	108	60.18	0	0	1	9	_
CBF Purchase	5	9	0	180	57	20.00	198	90.90	0	1	1	21	
AC Libby	6	10	3	123	34*	17.57	353	34.84	0	0	2	14	
AP Libby	1	2	1	17	10*	17.00	73	23.28	0	0	0	1	
JA Paull	4	6	0	97	40	16.16	213	45.53	0	0	1	14	
CJ Kent	5	9	0	138	52	15.33	414	33.33	0	1	1	18	

Cornwall Batting Av	erages 201	9 Champ	ionshi	p									
Player	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	BF	SR	100	50	0	4s	6s
TR Wyatt	2	4	0	54	36	13.50	168	32.14	0	0	0	7	0
AW Bone	2	3	0	38	31	12.66	115	33.04	0	0	0	2	0
MH Rowe	1	1	0	9	9	9.00	11	81.81	0	0	0	0	0
TC Rowe	1	1	0	9	9	9.00	28	32.14	0	0	0	0	0
MH Gribble	3	5	0	23	10	4.60	49	46.93	0	0	1	3	0
JP Ludlam	3	5	1	12	7	3.00	82	14.63	0	0	2	0	0
CAR Gilbert	1	2	2	3	2*	-	10	30.00	0	0	0	0	0
EAF Whiteford	1	1	1	2	2*	-	3	66.66	0	0	0	0	0
DM Caddy	1	1	1	0	0*	-	8	0.00	0	0	0	0	0

Diamer	Mat	Inns	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	BBI	BBM		Econ	SR	5	10	Ct	St
Player									Ave						
TJ Dinnis	3	5	65.4	11	268	15	8/49	11/171	17.86	4.08	26.2	1	1	0	0
CJ Kent	5	4	23.0	6	59	3	1/14	1/14	19.66	2.56	46.0	0	0	2	0
GM Smith	5	7	142.2	23	399	20	5/35	7/69	19.95	2.80	42.7	2	0	2	0
AC Libby	6	11	202.0	58	484	24	5/46	8/117	20.16	2.39	50.5	1	0	1	0
MH Rowe	1	2	40.0	15	86	4	2/38	4/86	21.50	2.15	60.0	0	0	0	0
CD Lello	2	3	37.0	6	109	5	2/30	4/75	21.80	2.94	44.4	0	0	0	0
TR Wyatt	2	4	29.0	3	98	4	1/14	2/37	24.50	3.37	43.5	0	0	3	0
JP Ludlam	3	5	52.0	6	180	7	3/68	4/109	25.71	3.46	44.5	0	0	1	0
TJ Wells	3	6	100.0	27	268	8	4/65	4/112	33.50	2.68	75.0	0	0	3	0
LP Goldsworthy	1	1	22.0	3	84	2	2/84	2/84	42.00	3.81	66.0	0	0	1	0
ML Robins	4	3	16.0	1	57	1	1/26	1/26	57.00	3.56	96.0	0	0	1	0
EAF Whiteford	1	2	39.0	7	129	2	1/47	2/129	64.50	3.30	117.0	0	0	0	0
DM Caddy	1	1	5.0	2	8	0	-			1.60	-	0	0	0	0
AP Libby	1	1	6.0	1	31	0	-		-	5.16	-	0	0	1	0
CAR Gilbert	1	1	5.0	0	40	0	-			8.00		0	0	1	0
AW Bone	2	-	-		-		-	-		-	-	-	-	3	1
MH Gribble	3	-	-		-		-	-		-	-	-	-	0	0
SA Harvey	5	-	-		-		-	-		-	-	-	-	17	2
JA Pauli	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	0
CBF Purchase	5	-	-	-	-		-	-		-	-	-	-	3	0
TC Rowe	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0
JR Turpin	6	-	-		-		-			-	-	-	-	4	0
TRD Whiteford	1					<u>-</u>				-				0	0

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PS Smith	1	1	0	51	51	51.00	74	68.91	0	1	0	4	
GM Smith	1	1	0	35	35	35.00	52	67.30	0	0	0	3	
MW Weightman	1	1	0	24	24	24.00	26	92.30	0	0	0	4	
TJ Wells	2	2	0	37	35	18.50	70	52.85	0	0	0	4	
CBF Purchase	2	2	0	26	22	13.00	34	76.47	0	0	0	4	
MH Rowe	2	2	0	25	20	12.50	59	42.37	0	0	0	3	

Cornwall Batting Av	erages KO T	rophy 2	019										
Player	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	BF	SR	100	50	0	4s	6s
TJ Dinnis	2	1	0	12	12	12.00	14	85.71	0	0	0	1	0
JR Turpin	2	2	0	23	19	11.50	37	62.16	0	0	0	2	0
LP Goldsworthy	1	1	0	11	11	11.00	8	137.50	0	0	0	1	0
TC Rowe	2	2	0	11	6	5.50	28	39.28	0	0	0	1	0
SA Harvey	2	2	0	8	4	4.00	21	38.09	0	0	0	0	0
ML Robins	1	1	0	0	0	0.00	1	0.00	0	0	1	0	0
TG Sturgess	1	1	1	32	32*	-	26	123.07	0	0	0	3	1
AC Libby	1	1	1	27	27*	-	40	67.50	0	0	0	3	0
CD Lello	1	1	1	22	22*	-	18	122.22	0	0	0	2	0

Cornwall Bowling	Averages I	KO Trop	hy 2019											
Player	Mat	Inns	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	BBI	Ave	Econ	SR	4	5	Ct	St
TG Sturgess	1	1	6.0	1	19	2	2/19	9.50	3.16	18.0	0	0	1	0
GM Smith	1	1	8.0	1	29	1	1/29	29.00	3.62	48.0	0	0	1	0
ML Robins	1	1	8.0	0	33	3	3/33	11.00	4.12	16.0	0	0	2	0
MW Weightman	1	1	8.0	1	33	0	-	-	4.12	-	0	0	1	0
AC Libby	1	1	10.0	0	49	2	2/49	24.50	4.90	30.0	0	0	0	0
MH Rowe	2	2	13.0	2	66	2	2/42	33.00	5.07	39.0	0	0	1	0
LP Goldsworthy	1	1	7.0	0	37	2	2/37	18.50	5.28	21.0	0	0	0	0
TJ Dinnis	2	2	13.0	1	74	4	3/31	18.50	5.69	19.5	0	0	0	0
TJ Wells	2	2	11.3	0	75	3	2/13	25.00	6.52	23.0	0	0	0	0
SA Harvey	2	=	-	=	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1
CD Lello	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
CBF Purchase	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
TC Rowe	2	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	0	0
PS Smith	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
JR Turpin	2	=	=	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0

Player	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	BF	SR	100	50	0	4s	6
SA Harvey	8	5	3	92	31	46.00	77	119.48	0	0	0	5	
ML Robins	4	4	1	88	36	29.33	82	107.31	0	0	0	8	
MH Gribble	2	2	1	29	22*	29.00	33	87.87	0	0	0	2	
CD Lello	2	1	0	25	25	25.00	20	125.00	0	0	0	2	
TJ Wells	8	7	0	145	54	20.71	141	102.83	0	1	0	9	
MH Rowe	8	8	1	142	52	20.28	114	124.56	0	1	0	16	
PS Smith	2	1	0	18	18	18.00	21	85.71	0	0	0	0	
LP Goldsworthy	8	7	2	88	47	17.60	82	107.31	0	0	0	3	
CBF Purchase	6	6	1	67	34	13.40	74	90.54	0	0	0	9	
GM Smith	8	7	0	82	17	11.71	90	91.11	0	0	0	6	
WG Harris	2	2	1	10	10	10.00	4	250.00	0	0	0	0	
TC Rowe	6	6	0	48	31	8.00	56	85.71	0	0	2	7	
TG Sturgess	2	2	0	15	14	7.50	15	100.00	0	0	0	1	
JR Turpin	6	5	0	26	13	5.20	32	81.25	0	0	1	2	
JP Ludlam	4	2	1	4	4	4.00	4	100.00	0	0	0	0	
JA Paull	4	4	1	8	3	2.66	11	72.72	0	0	0	0	

Cornwall Batting A	Averages 1	20 Com	petition	2019										
Player	Ма	t In	ns NO	Runs	HS	Α	ve	BF	SR 1	00 50) ()	4s	69
TJ Dinnis	(6	2 2	2	2*	-		2 10	00.00	0 0) ()	0	(
AP Pascoe		2	1 1	0	0*	-		0	-	0 0) ()	0	(
Cornwall Bowling	Averages	T20 Con	npetition	2019										
Player	Mat	Inns	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	BBI	Ave	Econ	SR	4	5	Ct	St
LP Goldsworthy	8	8	27.0	1	155	12	3/18	12.91	5.74	13.5	0	0	3	(
GM Smith	8	8	27.0	0	157	10	4/20	15.70	5.81	16.2	1	0	5	(
CD Lello	2	2	7.0	0	44	2	2/25	22.00	6.28	21.0	0	0	0	C
AP Pascoe	2	1	2.0	0	13	0	-	-	6.50	-	0	0	0	C
TG Sturgess	2	2	8.0	0	53	0	-	-	6.62	-	0	0	2	C
MH Rowe	8	8	22.0	1	146	6	3/18	24.33	6.63	22.0	0	0	1	C
TJ Dinnis	6	6	19.0	0	135	7	3/21	19.28	7.10	16.2	0	0	2	0
TJ Wells	8	8	26.1	0	203	8	2/31	25.37	7.75	19.6	0	0	6	0
JP Ludlam	4	4	11.0	0	92	3	2/25	30.66	8.36	22.0	0	0	2	0
WG Harris	2	2	6.0	0	71	1	1/27	71.00	11.83	36.0	0	0	0	0
MH Gribble	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
SA Harvey	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	5
JA Paull	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0
CBF Purchase	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0
ML Robins	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
TC Rowe	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
PS Smith	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
JR Turpin	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	C

	Cornwall CCC I	ixtures 2020	
Sunday (unless stated)	NCCA Competition – 11am	Fixture	Venue
26th April	T20 Group 2 (2 games)	DORSET h	Werrington
3rd May	T20 Group 2 (2 games)	Herefordshire a	Colwall
17th May	T20 Group 2 (2 games)	DEVON h	Wadebridge
24th May	T20 Group 2	bye	
25th May (Mon)	T20 Group 2 (2 games)	Wiltshire a	Marlborough College
7th June	Trophy 50 Group 2	BERKSHIRE h	Redruth
14th June	Trophy 50 Group 2	Bedfordshire a	Bedford Modern School
21st June	Trophy 50 Group 2	HERTFORDSHIRE h	Penzance
24th June (Wed)	T20 Finals Day	NCCA T20 Finals Day	*tbc
28th June	Trophy 50 Group 2	Devon a	Instow
5th July	Trophy 50 Group 2	bye	
12th July	Champ Western Div 2 – 3 Days	Wales MC a	Abergavenny
15th July (Wed)	NCCA v FCC 50 over Friendly	SOMERSET CCC	Truro
19th July	Trophy 50 KO Stages	NCCA 50 Q/F	
26th July	Champ Western Div 2 – 3 Days	bye	
2nd August	Champ Western Div 2 – 3 Days	DEVON h	Truro
9th August	Trophy 50 KO Stages	NCCA 50 S/F	
16th August	Champ Western Div 2 – 3 Days	Shropshire a	Bridgnorth
23rd August	Champ Western Div 2 – 3 Days	HEREFORDSHIRE h	St Austell
2nd Sept (Wed)	Trophy 50 Final (10.30am)	NCCA 50 Final	Wormsley *tbc
6th Sept	Championship Final – 4 Days (10.30am)	NCCA Championship Final	Banbury *tbc