# CORNWALL COUNTY CRICKET CLUB COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE 2014 SEASON

2014 proved to be challenging for Matt Robins, in his first full season as skipper. We just avoided finishing bottom in the championship for the first time since 1997. That was thanks to a solitary, and somewhat unlikely success, in the opener at Berkshire. For the first time ever we won a game after following on – 177 runs adrift. It set the template for the season with every game seeing the concession of a sizeable first innings deficit. At Cheshire the difference was 122 runs. Set 258 to win our last four wickets fell for just a single, to see defeat by 40 runs. Wales MC had a 93 run advantage at Truro and went on to set us 291. Any result was possible on the final ball but we ended five runs short of victory, with the last pair at the crease. Defeat by six wickets followed against Shropshire, inside two days at St Austell. The 266 run defeat by Herefordshire, at Truro, was the second biggest by runs in our history. The season ended disappointingly at Bournemouth, with a 93 run loss to Dorset. In the Trophy there were defeats to Devon and Wiltshire while the Wales MC and Dorset games were both abandoned without a ball bowled.

The renamed Unicorns Championship season benefited from a warmer and drier summer than of late. Play went ahead mostly as scheduled in our games, apart from the second day against Wales at Truro. There was no play after 12.25pm, in the only drawn game of the campaign. Our final record read 1 win, 1 draw and 4 defeats. We finished on 46 points, three ahead of Berkshire, who failed to win a game. They ended with a four wicket defeat against Devon at Exmouth to seal their fate. Wiltshire (104pts) took the Western title by just two points from Herefordshire. In a nail biting climax Wiltshire got home by four wickets, with just nine balls to spare, against Shropshire at Whitchurch, having been set 272 in around 75 overs. Cheshire blew their chance with defeat against Oxfordshire, on a dramatic final afternoon.

As comebacks go the achievement at Henley-on-Thames, in our opening championship game with Berkshire, must rank with our best. From a seemingly hopeless situation we fought back tremendously to win by 33 runs. At the home of the royal regatta, we were heading straight for the 'repechage' on the Monday morning. Berkshire had piled up 388 on the opening day and we were in disarray at 130 for eight - still 258 runs behind. Alex Smeeth threw caution to the wind to make 64 not out. With a deficit of 177 runs we were invited to bat again. Forgotten man Matthew Rowe made a brisk 58, to add to his first innings 52 in a successful recall. Just as they did at Corsham in the previous season Smeeth and Christian Purchase combined to produce a big stand, when needed. They put on 121 in 31 overs before Purchase went for 79. It gave us an overnight lead of 82, with six wickets remaining. On the third morning debutant Daniel Jarman made 30 while Smeeth went on to be the last man out for 140. He completed his maiden county ton, hitting a six and 18 fours in 235 balls. He hit 204 for once out in the match. It left Berkshire requiring 195 in a shade over two sessions. They were 19 for two at lunch and at 119-5 at tea the game was in the balance. Two wickets immediately on the resumption put us in the driving seat. There was a nervy last wicket stand of 27 but it was to be Cornwall's memorable day. The first championship victory on Berkshire soil since 1996 and to win, after being asked to follow on, was unique in Cornish history. Ahmed took four for 50 and Snell four for 69. Berkshire had enjoyed the best of the opening day. In very warm conditions they elected to bat. Waqas Hussain and Richard Morris both hit centuries as they racked up 388 all out, off the last ball of their allotted ninety overs. Cornwall reached 74 for two in the twenty overs that remained. Shakil Ahmed ended with four for 118 from 31 overs and Smeeth took two for 25. There were also two wickets for our other debutant, bowler Lewis Sanders.

We also threatened to pull off another famous win, against reigning champions Cheshire, at Alderley Edge. Cheshire's previous defeat in three-day cricket was by 105 runs, at Truro in 2012. That achievement looked set to be repeated as we closed in on a victory target of 258. We ended up 40 runs short however, after dramatically losing the last four wickets for just one run, in eighteen balls. The first was that of Purchase, who holed out to long off after playing a spectacular knock. His 91 came off 72 balls, with ten fours and six sixes. Werrington's Paul Smith also played his part as the pair added 82 for the seventh wicket in just fifteen overs. It was the fifth time Purchase passed 75 in just seven championship appearances. It followed Matt Rowe's 59, made off 103 balls with eight boundaries. We made two changes from the win at Henley with Jake Libby and Neil Ivamy recalled replacing the

unavailable Scott Harvey and Alex Smeeth. Cheshire elected to bat in sunny conditions and with Rick Moore hitting a century they were well placed at 220-4 with 24 overs still available. They were restricted to 280-9 however with Ahmed taking five for 88. Cornwall replied with 54 for one in the 27 overs up to stumps but were dismissed on the second morning for 158. Libby top scored with 34. Cheshire struggled themselves in their second innings and were all out for 135 with Ahmed (4-60) and Ivamy (4-37) sharing eight wickets. They were 47 for five at one stage before Lee Dixon got what proved to be a vital 54 off 58 balls. We were left with almost two hours batting on the second evening, in which time Robins, Libby, Jarman and night-watchman Snell fell for 72 runs. Ahmed took nine for 148 in the match.

There was a dramatic finale in the game with Wales MC at Truro, as we again provided the final day fireworks. A thriller went down to the final ball, with all four results possible. The match was drawn, but both sides could argue they were just a ball short of victory. We needed another five runs, but with our last pair at the crease. After conceding a deficit of 93 runs on first innings we were set 291 in a minimum of 44 overs - an initial asking rate of 6.6. In the end we received 49 overs. We lost Matt Rowe and Alex Smeeth at 20-2 off ten overs. Purchase went on to the offence however sending the ball flying to all parts of Boscawen Park, and beyond! Together with Libby the pair added 88 in the eleven overs up to tea (108-2). With the over rate well up the Welsh were, understandably, in no great rush to bowl any extra overs before the mandatory 17 began in the last hour at 5.30pm. In the fifty minutes after the interval 72 runs were added with just 11 overs bowled. Purchase reached his maiden county century, but was bowled immediately after for 101. He hit eight sixes and eight fours off 61 balls. Nottinghamshire bound Libby reached his second county ton, but fell for 112 with 23 needed off 17 balls. Snell hit a six in the penultimate over to keep hopes alive but in the end the last pair of Sanders and Ivamy had to survive the last three balls for the draw. On the opening day Wales won the toss but lost four wickets for 67. Greg Holmes, son of the late Glamorgan player Geoff, hit a maiden century to see his side to 235 all out. Ivamy took four for 69 and Ahmed three for 59. We then slumped to 12-3. Purchase (48) and Alex Smeeth (37) put on 68 but late wickets meant the Duchy started day two struggling on 105-6. Less than an hour of play was possible before lunch with us being bowled out for 142. Heavy showers saw play abandoned for the day in mid afternoon. On the third morning the Welsh slipped to 66 for six before lunch. Aneurin Norman (75) crucially added 50 for the seventh wicket with Nick Davies (26) and 77 for the eighth with Tom Dalton (36). They declared just before three o'clock on 197-9. Ivamy took five for 91 to end with match figures of 9-160 from 54 overs. A shower before lunch saw eleven overs lost, how crucial it was to prove.

Ben Sanderson, the Unicorns and former Yorkshire quick bowler, condemned us to a two-day defeat at St Austell, against Shropshire. He took seven wickets in both innings to end with match figures of 14 for 108 as Shropshire won in Cornwall for the first time in 22 years. We elected to bat on the opening day but were bowled out for 188 in the 47<sup>th</sup> over. Purchase hit seven sixes before lunch but was out shortly after for 83. The visitors replied with exactly 300 before lunch on the second day. Ivamy suffered a reoccurrence to the leg injury that saw him miss the start the season. He was unable to take the field in Shropshire's second innings. In our second knock we lost Robins second ball and at 73 for 6 still needed 39 runs to avoid an innings defeat. Smith (38) and Snell, who hit three sixes in his 40, ensured that the visitors would bat again. They put on 66 for the seventh wicket. Shakil Ahmed hit seven fours in his 36 as the total ended on 203. Needing only 92 the Midlanders knocked off the runs for the loss of four wickets, just before 7pm. Callum Wilson (3-25) took his first county wickets.

We suffered our biggest defeat, by runs, in living memory when losing to Herefordshire by 266 runs at Truro. The record being the 281run drubbing Monmouthshire dealt out at Rodney Parade back in 1906. Herefordshire had 90 on the board without loss in the first hour and went on to bat the full 90 overs, scoring 363-9. We relied on spin with Ahmed taking four for 130 off 35 overs and Ivamy three for 101 off 29 overs. We were dismissed for only 159 and it would have been a lot worse if Matt Rowe hadn't made a fine 78. Herefordshire, with a lead of 204, didn't enforce the follow on and declared on 195-6 to leave us 400 to win in the best part of four sessions. By the close on Monday we had lost four wickets for 56 and hopes of even saving the game looked remote. Our fears were confirmed in the second over after lunch when we were bowled out for 133. Robins made his top score of the season of 49. Slow left armer Brad Wadlan had match figures of 10 for 101.

We ended the season with a fourth defeat, against Dorset at Bournemouth. It's the first time that has happened since three-day cricket began in 2001. We gave debuts to David Hoskings and Glyn Furnival and it was Furnival that made a dream start. He took a wicket with his fourth ball and took three more as Dorset slumped to 35 for five in the first hour. They recovered to make 204 all out with Furnival ending with six for 85 from 23 overs. Our failure to post a sizeable first innings total surfaced again however, as we slumped to 147 all out. Robins top scored with 35 and Purchase made 24. Scott Harvey, a late replacement for Tom Hughes, was 24 not out. In their second knock Dorset stumbled to 112-8 with the lead only 169 at the time. However a crucial 77 runs were added for the last two wickets. Purchase took a county best 5-46 and Neil Ivamy four for 25. Set 247 to win, in four sessions, we reached the close on day two at 88-5. The loss of Robins for 39, early on the final morning, virtually sealed our fate. We were all out for 153 shortly after mid-day.

Over the season we used 18 players in the championship with six (Purchase, Robins, Rowe, Smith, Snell and Williams) playing in all six games. There were debuts for Furnival, Hoskings, Jarman and Sanders. Purchase, who was capped during the season, made 495 runs at an average of 41.2. The tenth highest runscorer in the country. Matt Rowe made 308 runs, average 25.66. Alex Smeeth topped our averages with 248 runs, average 49.6. Centuries were hit by Smeeth (140), Libby (112) and Purchase (101). The 178 for the third wicket against Wales MC, by Libby and Purchase, was the highest partnership. Purchase and Smeeth put on 121 for the third against Berkshire. Ivamy took 27 wickets at 22.74 each. The tenth highest wicket taker in the country. Ahmed took 25 wickets at 24.52 and Snell 15 at 29.33. Furnival's 6-85 were the best figures while Ahmed and Ivamy both took nine wickets in a match.

Over the six games in the first innings Cornwall averaged only 167 runs while opponents averaged 295. We only took two of 24 available batting bonus points. In the last six seasons we have only batted out the full 90 overs once in 35 attempts. In comparison our opponents have achieved it on 11 occasions. The 339-7 against Oxfordshire in 2012 was the last time we made 300 in the first innings.

The newly named Unicorns Trophy campaign got off to a poor start when our opening game, against Wales MC at Newport on 27<sup>th</sup> April, was washed out without a ball bowled. There was no play before lunch due to a wet outfield. Further rain during the interval resulted in the match being abandoned. The following weekend a seven wicket defeat was inflicted by Devon at Truro. They cruised home with over thirteen overs to spare and in hindsight we were left to reflect on the decision to bat first which didn't work as hoped on the day. The decision was made under overcast morning skies but by mid afternoon Boscawen Park was bathed in spring sunshine. Needing a modest 156 Devon's openers had 44 on the board in ten overs, and the writing was already on the wall. They took their stand to exactly 100 when Rob Woodman fell to Purchase for 28. Liam Lewis was trapped by Ahmed for 67 and Matt Thompson was out shortly before the end to Snell. Cornwall's top order never really got going with Ben Smeeth, Tom Hughes and debutant Callum Whittaker all failing to get into double figures. Robins was fifth out for 21 with the score at 56. Mike Bone, who was making his one day debut at the age of 29, made an unbeaten 34. Rob Harrison, who got an early morning call when Antony Angove pulled out due to illness, hit a six in a breezy 19.

Hopes of making progress ended with a 21 run defeat at Corsham against Wiltshire. Overnight rain meant conditions were too wet for a prompt start. It took three inspections before play eventually got underway five hours late, with a 26 over a side game. The late finish meant Taylor Williams was made 12th man, due to travel commitments. Werrington's Paul Smith, who was recalled to the side, kept wicket. There were Cornwall debuts for Liam Norwell and Tom Shrewsbury, who were both on Gloucestershire's books. In the most dramatic of starts the home side lost three wickets in as many overs. Norwell struck in the first over trapping Ed Kilbee. Tom Morton followed in Sam Hockin's opening over, also leg before. Neil Clark then slipped and was run out to make it three for three. Mike Coles (53) combined with Joe Breet to put on 118 for the fourth wicket. Breet ended on 85 not out. Hockin took two for 31 and Robins two for six. Cornwall's reply also had a dramatic start with Robins lbw to Tahir Afridi's first ball. The rest of the top order soon followed at 54 for five. Snell (32) and Smith (40) combined to see the hundred up and Shrewsbury (21) added some late runs. We were all out for 164, with an over remaining. With Wiltshire and Devon having already qualified there was nothing at stake in the

final group game against Dorset at Werrington. It was perhaps just as well as the game, on the Spring Bank Holiday Sunday, was washed out without a ball bowled. Cornwall had won the toss and elected to field before further rain had the final say.

In the two Unicorns Trophy games 15 players appeared with seven (Mike Bone, Rob Harrison, Tom Shrewsbury, Sam Hockin, Ben Smeeth, Liam Norwell and Callum Whittaker) not playing championship cricket in 2014. Snell made 44 runs at 22.00. Smith hit the highest score of 40. Hockin, Robins and Snell took two wickets each. The highest partnership was the 61 by Smith and Snell for the sixth wicket at Wiltshire.

For the sixth successive year a pre-season training weekend was held in Jersey at Grainville. We won by 17 runs on Saturday 19th April. After Robins and Hughes added 37 for the first wicket Robins and Williams took the total to 95 before the second wicket fell. From 124-5 Sam Hockin made 32 before being last out. Jersey collapsed for 136-2 in the 41st over to 170 all out with two balls remaining of their 50 overs. Sunday's game was rained off.

After playing against Wales at the beginning of July Callington's Jake Libby joined Nottinghamshire. He had a successful run in the second XI and made his LV County Championship debut against Sussex, at Trent Bridge in September. Opening the batting he made an impressive 108 and will no doubt be looking to cement a first team place in 2015. Christian Purchase played for the Minor Counties at Sidmouth against an MCC XI including Tom Hughes.

Our Secretary Mrs Anita George MBE, JP again served on both the Minor Counties Management Committee and the ECB's Cricket Discipline Commission.

Our scorer, Jim O'Brien, was again ever present in 2014 and the committee again appreciates his efforts. Most games were live scored on the internet. The usual vote of thanks is extended to our host clubs, their grounds staff, and their caterers for their hard work, organization and excellent hospitality. The committee also thanks the local media for their coverage during 2014. Finally the club are most grateful to our new main sponsors of Conway, Bailey Transport Ltd for their valued support and again to Richard Sharp for producing the match scorecards during the season.

#### 2014 SEASON FACTS & FIGURES

Highest Score (Championship)	For 371 (f/o) Against 388	Berkshire Berkshire	Henley-on-Thame Henley-on-Thame			
Lowest Score (Championship)	For 133 Against 135	Herefordshire Cheshire	Truro Alderley Edge			
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County Debuts (7) GE Furnival, DJ Hoskings, DBW Jarman, LIF Sanders. One Day: TW Shrewsbury, LC Norwell, CP Whittaker.						

#### **Cornwall Over 50's Championship Report 2014**

Cornwall Seniors enjoyed a hugely successful season and were unfortunate not to reach the Quarter Finals of this brilliant competition. Having qualified, along with Hampshire and Devon, from the group stage, Cornwall allowed a winning position to slip against Warwickshire to be denied an opportunity to progress further, wondering "What if ? ....and if only!"

Our season began at Grampound Road against Somerset - regular qualifiers from the South West group. Electing to bat, Cornwall spluttered to 117 for 5 in 32 overs before an enterprising sixth wicket stand of 54 in just seven overs between Stuart Ellis (47) and Nigel Sanders (57). A run-a-ball 17 from debutant Steve Mitchell brought some respectability to the final score of 219 for 7. Dave Dunnett was typically mean, bowling nine overs for 22. Stuart Renshaw made the vital breakthrough, dismissing the dangerous Ashton, courtesy of a fine slip catch by Nigel Sanders, before Steve Mitchell began a match winning spell. Conceding eight from his opening over he then bowled an extraordinary eight over spell without conceding a single run from the bat. He ended with the memorable figures of 9-6-10-2, helped by fine catches from Dave Dunnett and Jon Nance. Two smart run-outs reduced Somerset to 69 for 6 and enabled Cornwall to win by 53 runs.

The game versus Hampshire at Bude was one that Cornwall allowed to slip during both innings. Batting first Cornwall had only themselves to blame by failing to bat the overs, being skittled for 157 with more than 12 overs to spare, with only Stuart Renshaw (36) and Jim McKenna (34) applying themselves. Early wickets were essential and Stuart Renshaw obliged, taking three quick wickets to reduce Hampshire to 19 for three. Again Steve Mitchell (9-2-16-1) bowled a great spell and at 51 for 5 the visitors were in real trouble. New boy, Dave Craddock, took two wickets but sadly Cornwall could not push home their advantage and Hampshire crossed the line losing only one more man, winning by three wickets.

Wiltshire travelled to Callington in mid June and deciding to bat made steady progress, reaching 70 without loss in 15 overs. With 20 overs to go Wiltshire were well placed on 111-1 but Dave Dunnett (9-0-38-3) and a championship best from left arm spinner Mike Hoban (9-0-41-4) meant the visitors ended on 230-9, with Jon Nance taking two catches and a run-out. In reply Cornwall were 65-3 before a fine fourth wicket partnership of 90 in 16 overs between Anton Luiten (73) and Jon Nance (39) kept the home side up with the run rate. Anton was the seventh man out for a fine anchor innings leaving the home supporters on the edge of their seats, as bowling all-rounders Dave Dunnett (16no) and Dave Craddock (16no) scored the final 30 runs to ensure a three wicket win.

The Devon fixture took us to Bovey Tracey and Cornwall started well with openers Trevor Lee (31) and Jim Mckenna (25) looking set, adding 53 in 10 overs. The middle order of Nigel Sanders (42), Jon Nance (21) and Steve Jenkin (27) took Cornwall to 142 for 6 before a run-a-ball 22 not out from Steve Mitchell brought up the 200. After tea Devon passed 50 in the ninth over but were slowed by another top spell from spinner Steve Mitchell (9-1-32-3), with excellent support from Trevor Lee's off breaks (9-0-28-1). At 187-7 in the 41st over the game could have gone either way, but needing 14 from four overs Devon's eighth wicket pair scraped home in the final over.

The final away game took us to the beautiful North Perrott ground to face Dorset. In the sunshine Trevor Lee (55) and Jon Nance (47) made a fine century opening stand before both fell within a few overs. Tight Dorset bowling restricted Cornwall to just 20 runs from the next ten overs until Nigel Sanders (27) and an excellent 37 from Steve Mitchell took Cornwall in for tea on 220 for 7. After the break Dorset looked in command cruising to 80 without loss in the 17th over. Cornwall required something special and twin spinners, Steve Mitchell (9-3-22-3) and Mike Hoban (9-2-23-2) bowling in tandem, completed 18 overs for just 45 runs. Jon Nance with (7-0-24-3) completed a fine all round performance and the side held eight catches to win by 27 runs.

At Wadebridge in July, Cornwall won the toss and chose to bat against the visiting Isle of Wight. Trevor Lee (25) and Nigel Sanders (32) made early runs but the innings was built around a magnificent maiden championship hundred by Anton Luiten. His terrific 115 not out was made from 110 balls with 12 boundaries. It was a just reward for one of the side's most enthusiastic players and with Jon Nance giving great support with 59, from just 41 deliveries, Cornwall ended on 279 for 4. After tea Dave Dunnett, bowling on his home patch, made the early breakthrough (9-3-27-2) and Mike Hoban (9-1-32-2) put in another very tidy spell so that the visitors required an enormous 200 from the final 16 overs. Jon Nance (8-1-28-3) and Dave Craddock (9-3-27-1) ensured a fourth win, by the impressive margin of 138 runs.

An away trip to Warwickshire was the County's reward for group qualification and a fair reward for playing good cricket throughout the season. Winning the toss Cornwall were quickly in the driving seat with Trevor Lee (34), Jim McKenna (56) and Anton Luiten (57) all amongst the runs, building a platform of 110 for 1 after 21 overs. Unfortunately the middle order could not put together a notable partnership and it was left to Dave Dunnett (19 not out) to push the score beyond 200. Warwickshire's reply was rapid, regular boundaries taking them past 50 in the eighth over. Spinners Steve Mitchell (9-2-45-2) and Mike Hoban (9-0-40-3) applied the brake and at 184 for 6 the game could still have gone either way. Trevor Lee (5-1-12-1) almost swung the game our way but in the end Warwickshire crossed the line with eight down.

2014 should not be remembered as an 'exceptional season'. Our aim is to go further in 2015! Qualification from the group stage has brought new belief into the side and remains our minimum goal. New captain Trevor Lee has competitive, established players and enthusiastic "new" players to weld together this season. The next few seasons look genuinely exciting.

My final thought is to thank the clubs, ground staff and caterers at Grampound Road, Callington, Bude and Wadebridge for their hospitality; Mike Gibbons, for his scoring expertise, Roy Strout for his umpiring skills, Geoff Husband as secretary behind the scenes and Trevor Lee and Nigel Sanders as fellow selectors. The players gave their all, with good humour on and off the field, and I sincerely thank each of them.

Stuart Ellis Cornwall Over 50's Captain

#### **Development XI Report 2014**

It was a somewhat disappointing season in that only three of the six scheduled games were played. Wiltshire were unable to fulfil either fixture, at Grampound Road and Swindon. Meanwhile Dorset were unable to find another ground when Canford School was deemed too wet in the lead up to the game.

In early May we played MCC Young Cricketers in one of the first games at Grampound Road's new clubhouse facility. The MCC made 261-5 with Tom Eggins taking two for 44. We were 129 all out with Adam Cocking (47) and Joe White (30) top scoring.

In early July we drew a two-day game against Devon Lions at Mount Wise, Plymouth. We were dismissed for 163 in our first innings with Scott Harvey making 44. Devon replied with 140 all out with Callum Wilson taking five for 51 and Liam Watson three for 32. Cornwall then declared on 117 for eight with skipper Joe White top scoring with 22. Set 141 to win the Devon Lions were 119 for five, with two overs remaining, when a heavy shower saw the game abandoned as a draw. Skipper Barney Huxtable made 50. Tom Eggins took three for 21.

We completed the season against Somerset seconds at Taunton Vale in mid August. The home side batted steadily down the order to make 300 for seven in their fifty overs. After the openers put on 146 Liam Lombard came into the attack and removed the top three, at a personal cost of 23 runs from seven overs. Joe Crane took two for 44 and there was a wicket each for Tom Dinnis and Philip Nicholas. We made a respectable 260 for seven in reply to lose by 40 runs. Joe Crane (32) and Charlie Hoskings (37) opened with a stand of 78. Lombard was run out for 38 and young Tim Wyatt batted well for his 49. Josh Sharpe was caught in the last over for a hard hit 66 off 35 balls, which included 6 sixes and 5 fours.

Thanks to Dave Eggins for his scoring and support and to the umpires for the fixtures at Grampound Road and Plymouth.

Let's hope 2015 enables us to get more games played in this important stage of player development.

Sean Hooper Development XI Manager

#### **Cornwall Women 2014 Season Report**

2014 was a very successful season and the team won all their scheduled matches. The team gave consistent performances in all matches with some players standing out with individual performances.

Cornwall ended the season unbeaten at the top of the Division 4 South & West. Unfortunately the play off result went against Cornwall and so they will play in Division 4 again in 2015.

The T20 also saw the team win their group and so gain promotion to Division 3 for 2015.

My thanks go to all those involved who have supported me in the managerial role, especially Matt South, Adrian Noott, Fern Nicholls, Nicole Richards, Hannah Grice and to Marilyn Richards and Peter Richards for scoring. A special thank you also goes to those parents who helped with transporting the team to matches.

Finally, many thanks to St Austell CC and Falmouth CC for hosting the two home fixtures and to the umpires who officiated at those games.

Steve Nicholls Manager

Player	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	100	50	4s	6s
AG Smeeth	3	6	1	248	140	49.60	1	1	38	2
CBF Purchase	6	12	0	495	101	41.25	1	3	50	28
JD Libby	2	4	0	162	112	40.50	1	-	14	-
MH Rowe	б	12	0	308	78	25.66	-	4	46	2
TPS Hughes	1	2	0	45	34	22.50	-	-	9	-
SA Harvey	2	4	1	54	24*	18.00	-	-	4	-
ML Robins	б	12	0	199	49	16.58	-	-	28	-
PS Smith	б	12	0	185	38	15.41	-	-	26	1
KJ Snell	б	12	2	147	40	14.70	-	-	20	5
DBW Jarman	3	6	0	76	29	12.66	_	-	7	-
DJ Hoskings	1	2	0	23	15	11.50	-	-	3	-
C J Wilson	1	2	1	11	6	11.00	-	-	1	-
AJ Cocking	2	4	0	37	18	9.25	-	-	5	-
T Williams	б	12	0	108	27	9.00	-	-	15	-
N Ivamy	5	10	4	47	16*	7.83	_	-	7	1
Shakil Ahmed	5	10	0	57	36	5.70	-	-	10	-
LIF Sanders	4	8	3	17	9*	3.40	_	-	2	-
GE Furnival	1	2	1	0	0*		-	-	-	-

## **Cornwall CCC Championship Batting Averages 2014**

## Cornwall CCC Championship Bowling Averages 2014

Player	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Ave	5w	BBI	BBM	Ct
CBF Purchase	26.2	6	107	6	17.83	1	5/46	5/46	5
GE Furnival	29.0	5	110	6	18.33	1	6/85	6/110	1
MH Rowe	12.0	0	56	3	18.66	-	3/48	3/48	4
CJ Wilson	20.0	5	61	3	20.33	-	3/25	3/61	0
N Ivamy	209.3	51	614	27	22.74	1	5/91	9/160	2
Shakil Ahmed	195.2	51	613	25	24.52	1	5/88	9/148	2
AG Smeeth	55.4	13	190	7	27.14	-	3/60	4/100	1
ML Robins	32.5	5	116	4	29.00	-	2/14	2/39	9
KJ Snell	137.1	32	440	15	29.33	-	4/69	4/137	5
PS Smith	9.0	0	40	1	40.00	-	1/31	1/31	2
LIF Sanders	55.0	5	284	6	47.33	-	2/53	3/73	5

Also - Catches: AJ Cocking 3, JD Libby 2, SA Harvey & TPS Hughes 1 each. T Williams (wk) 12 catches & 2 stumpings

## CORNWALL COUNTY CRICKET CLUB UNICORNS COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS 2014

Berkshire		at Henley-on-Thames	on 8, 9, 10 June
Berkshire &	388 161	(Shakil Ahmed 4-118) (Shakil Ahmed 4-50, KJ Snell 4-69)	
Cornwall &	211 371 (f/o)	(AG Smeeth 64no, MH Rowe 52) (AG Smeeth 140, CBF Purchase 79, MH Rowe 58) Cornwall (21pts) beat Berkshire (8pts) by 33 runs.	
Cheshire		at Alderley Edge	on 22, 23, 24 June
Cheshire &	280-9 135	(Shakil Ahmed 5-88) (N Ivamy 4-37. Shakil Ahmed 4-60)	
Cornwall &	158 217	(JD Libby 34) (CBF Purchase 91, MH Rowe 59) Cheshire (23pts) beat Cornwall (4pts) by 40 runs.	
Wales MC		at Truro	on 6, 7, 8 July
Wales MC &	235 197-9d	(N Ivamy 4-69) (N Ivamy 5-91)	
Cornwall &	142 286-9	(CBF Purchase 48, AG Smeeth 37) (JD Libby 112, CBF Purchase 101) Match Drawn; Cornwall 8pts, Wales MC 10pts.	
Shropshire		at St Austell	on 20, 21, 22 July
Cornwall &	188 203	(CBF Purchase 83) (KJ Snell 40, PS Smith 38, Shakil Ahmed 36, TPS Hughes 34)	
Shropshire &	300 92-4	(KJ Snell 3-37, AG Smeeth 3-60, N Ivamy 3-74) (CJ Wilson 3-25) Shropshire (23pts) beat Cornwall (5pts) by 6 wickets	
Herefordshire		at Truro	on 3, 4, 5 August
Herefordshire &	363-9 195-6d	(Shakil Ahmed 4-130, N Ivamy 3-101) (MH Rowe 3-48)	
Cornwall &	159 133	(MH Rowe 78) (ML Robins 49) Herefordshire (24pts) beat Cornwall (4pts) by 266 runs.	
Dorset		at Bournemouth	on 17, 18, 19 August
Dorset &	204 189	(GE Furnival 6-85) (CBF Purchase 5-46, N Ivamy 4-71)	
Cornwall &	147 154	(ML Robins 35) (ML Robins 39) Dorset (21pts) beat Cornwall (4pts) by 93 runs.	

#### **UNICORNS TROPHY RESULTS 2014**

Group 1		Wales MC	at Werrington	on 27 April
			Abandoned without a ball bowled. Vales MC 1pt, Cornwall 1pt.	
Group 1		Devon	at Truro	on 4 May
Cornwall Devon	155 156-3	(48 overs) (36.3 overs)	(MJ Bone 34no)	
		Devon	(2pts) beat Cornwall by 7 wickets.	
Group 1		Wiltshire	at Corsham	on 11 May
Wiltshire Cornwall	185-8 164	(26 overs) (25 overs) Wiltshi	(PS Smith 40, KJ Snell 32, JD Libby 30) re (2pts) beat Cornwall by 21 runs.	
Group 1		Dorset	at Werrington	on 25 May
		Match	Abandoned without a ball bowled. Cornwall 1pt, Dorset 1pt.	
		Corn	wall County Cricket Club	

#### Fixtures 2015

## Unicorns Trophy (Group 1) (11am)

Sun 19 April	Dorset	Dean Park, Bournemouth
Sun 3 May	Wiltshire	St Austell
Sun 10 May	Devon	Sidmouth
Sun 17 May	Wales M C	Werrington
Sun 14 June	Quarter Finals	
Sun 26 July	Semi Finals	
Wed 26 Aug	Final	Wormsley

## Unicorns T20 Competition (Group 3)

Sun 31 May	Dorset	Exmouth	(1.15pm)
	Winner v Devon	or Wiltshire	(4.30pm)
Sun 12 July	Finals Day	Banbury	

## Unicorns Counties Championship (Western Section) (11am)

7 - 9 June	Herefordshire	Colwall
21 - 23 June	Devon	Truro
5 - 7 July	Wiltshire	Grampound Road
19 - 21 July	Cheshire	St Austell
2 - 4 August	Oxfordshire	Banbury
16 – 18 August	Wales M C	Usk
6 – 9 September	Final	hosted by winner of Eastern Division

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