

Hythe and Dibden Cricket Club 2nd Team

'A Topsy-Turvey season on and off the pitch for the 2XI.

A combination of rain, COVID, and inconsistent performances led to a final league position of 9th, finishing with a fitting tie against Ryde in a home match played in the stunning surroundings of Beaulieu CC.

Notable matches included an against the odds, nail-biting 23-point win away at Solent Rangers, an agonising 2-wicket defeat away to Portsmouth + Southsea, as well as a crushing victory over Bishops Waltham.

Some notable individual performances were Aaron Oliver's 5-33 vs Solent Rangers, Jon Stovell and Tariq Islam's buckaneering opening innings, and a typically classy pair of innings from George Sanderson against Ryde and Hambledon.

Special mentions to Gary Dyer, who has decided to call it a day after a number of years with the club; finishing 3rd in the batting 2021 averages (58.00) in his final season.

I'd also like to thanks Barry Shorto for his services as umpire throughout the season putting up with some less than scrupulous facilities at some away grounds.'

Andy Murkitt

2nd Team Captain