

The First Graders

Jeff Hemming



Randwick Petersham 1st Grade cap number: 24

Full Name: **Jeffrey Keith Hemming**

Date and Place of Birth: **23 October 1980**

Playing role: **Right hand bat**

Occupation: **Human Resources Manager**

BATTING									
Season	Mtch	Inns	N.O.	Best	Runs	Ave.	100	50	Ct.
2002-03	11	13	2	65	299	27.18		2	2



When Darren Wotherspoon decided to join the club in 2002-03 its second season, his good friend Jeff Hemming came along too. That was a real bonus for the club as Hemming turned out to be the fifth highest run-getter in all grades for the season.

A sweet timer of the ball, Jeff was ushered into 1st Grade following successive 2nd Grade centuries of 115 against Sutherland and 112 not out against Western Suburbs. He responded immediately on debut hitting 65 with three sixes against Bankstown at Coogee Oval in a Limited Overs match. After being in early trouble Hemming's effort got the team score to 223 which ended up just seven runs short of the Bankstown total.

Jeff proved his worth as a one-day player when he top-scored in the Grand Final of the Limited Overs Competition against Sutherland at Caringbah (now Glenn McGrath) Oval. With the "stars" of the side, Richard Chee Quee (8), Joe Hill (14) and Paul Toole (0) bundled out cheaply it was left to the middle order to add some solidarity to the scoreline. Hemming was the man rattling up 63 enabling a respectable total of 187 to be posted. And while that didn't look enough runs for such a match it was a struggle for the Sharks to get there with just 11 balls to spare. It was bitter-sweet for Jeff to realise that his two best scores in 1st Grade had resulted in narrow losses.

Of his 299 runs for the season, 192 were scored in six limited overs games. He managed only 107 in the other five 1st Grade matches he played that season which was not a true reflection of his ability.

Hemming also played 10 matches in 2nd Grade scoring 436 runs to be second in the averages with 43.60. That gave him an outstanding seasonal total of 735 runs. He also hit two centuries.

Disappointingly 2002-03 was Jeff Hemming's one and only season with Randwick Petersham. He subsequently played with success in the Newcastle competition.

Paul Toole has a couple of numbers for Jeff Hemming 0412 518 513 or 0421 584 950 ?9876 1521 H