



# The First Graders

## Glenn Farquharson

### **Randwick Petersham 1st Grade cap number: 27**

Full name: **Glenn Warren Farquharson**

Date and Place of Birth: **28 July 1971**

Secondary School: **Marist Brothers, Kogarah**

Occupation: **Financial Services Manager**

Playing role: **Right arm opening swing bowler/right hand bat**



<b>BATTING</b>									
Season	Mtch	Inns	N.O.	Best	Runs	Ave.	100	50	Ct.
2003-04	22	11	7	28*	95	23.75			6
2004-05	16	15	4	53	136	12.36		1	5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>15.40</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>BOWLING</b>									
Season	Overs	Mdn	Wkts	Runs	Ave.	Best	5w	10w	
2003-04	316.5	61	43	993	23.09	5-44	1		
2004-05	204.2	33	36	741	20.58	4-28			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>521.1</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>1,734</b>	<b>21.95</b>	<b>5-44</b>	<b>1</b>		

With the bowling stars of 2002-03 Andrew Warren, Scott Obey and Matt Cassar announcing they would not be lining up in 2003-04, it was fortuitous that 1st Grade skipper Paul Toole should receive a call from Glenn Farquharson looking for an opportunity. He was given that opportunity and he grabbed it with both hands taking 43 wickets for the season to be one of the club's best performers.

Glenn was no stranger to the club having played with the former Petersham-Marrickville DCC for a couple of seasons prior to the merger in 2001. In 1998-99 he was named Petersham-Marrickville's "most outstanding player of the season" taking out the prized Martin Bedkober Award.

An opening bowler who bowled a full length and swung the ball around, Glenn proved a real handful for opposing batsmen. After the first match he was joined by English import Jon Lewis who went on to play Test Match and ODI cricket for England. Together they became a formidable duo. With Lewis' 52 wickets together they claimed 95 of the 205 wickets taken for the season.

While Lewis was the spearhead of the attack which led the team to a place in the 1st Grade Grand Final that summer, Farquharson was far from playing a supporting role. He was a consistent wicket-taker throughout the season stepping up when it counted. Just prior to the Grand Final against Easts who Glenn had played with the previous season, Lewis' English club Gloucestershire called him home. Glenn seized the challenge to lead the attack producing his best performance of the season in the biggest game he had played in. He finished the innings with 5-44 off 22 overs to reduce Easts to at one stage, 5-15. And while Easts managed to take out the match and the premiership, there was no doubting the outstanding contribution by Glenn Farquharson which gave Randwick Petersham every opportunity to win the game. He also gave the side a glimmer of hope with his batting, remaining 28 not out in a fine rear-guard action before the final wicket fell.

Confirming his ability as a top class 1st Grade bowler Farquharson lined up again the following summer to take out the bowling honours with 36 wickets at the impressive average of 20.58. In the match against Manly at Coogee Oval he took 4-28 and 4-73 for match figures of 8-101. Although it made the Limited Overs semi-final, the side did not perform to the level it had the previous season finishing 10th in the Belvidere Cup 1st Grade competition.

Apart from Glenn's consistent bowling, a feature of his season was his last wicket partnership of 51 (Glenn 53; Nigil Singh 5 not out) against Penrith which set a new club tenth wicket 1st Grade record. Glenn retired at the end of that season.