

# The First Graders

## Nathan Rosser



### **Randwick Petersham 1st Grade cap number: 29**

Full name: **Nathan John Rosser**

Date and Place of Birth: **14 June 1982, Blayney, NSW**

Secondary School: **Canobolas High, Orange**

Occupation: **Bar Supervisor**

Playing role: **All-rounder. Right arm bowler /right hand bat**

BATTING									
Season	Mtch	Inns	N.O.	Best	Runs	Ave.	100	50	Ct.
2003-04	22	14	1	61	154	11.85		1	5
2004-05	6	7	1	39	84	14.00			3
2005-06	15	15	1	62	285	20.36		1	2
2006-07	21	18	1	36	198	11.65			4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>721</b>	<b>14.42</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>
BOWLING									
Season	Overs	Mdn	Wkts	Runs	Ave.	Best	5w	10w	
2003-04	300.2	52	37	886	23.95	4-42			
2004-05	73	15	9	197	21.89	5-33	1		
2005-06	219	44	18	710	39.44	5-50	1		
2006-07	219.1	39	25	825	33.00	4-25			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>811.3</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>2618</b>	<b>29.42</b>	<b>5-33</b>	<b>2</b>		



Nathan Rosser joined the club from Sutherland DCC in 2003-04 making his debut in the First XI in game one against Manly at Manly Oval. While he made a rather inauspicious start taking 0-33 with his medium-pacers and did not bat, by season's end he was one of the successes of the side. He bowled first change and was rewarded with 37 wickets including bags of 4-42 v Wests; 4-58 v Hawkesbury; 3-26 v Gordon while in the Semi-Final against UTS Balmain he returned the best figures of 3-47. Rosser bowled particularly well in the Grand Final against Easts at Coogee where his return of 1-44 from 16 overs did not truly reflect the way he bowled. And while English fast bowler Jon Lewis was the undoubted star of the season he would not have achieved as much without the outstanding support provided by fellow pace-men Nathan Rosser and Glenn Farquharson.

Nathan also had a handy season with the bat. In the match against Mosman the side was in trouble at 8-132 when he and Rod Stafford got together in a record ninth wicket partnership of 102 in 74 minutes to set up a convincing win with Rosser scoring 61.

In 2004-05 Rosser began with a man-of-the-match award in round one against Mosman at Petersham Oval when he took 5-33 with the ball and struck a fire-brand 27 not out with the bat to ensure a sound victory against one of the better teams. Unfortunately Rosser suffered an injury shortly after scoring 39 when combining with Matt Mott to put on 103 for the seventh wicket against Campbelltown-Camden. After only six matches he was forced to sit out a couple of games before he returned to complete the season as a batsman in 4th Grade where he hit two centuries in a seasonal total of 298.



Season 2005-06 was a trying one for the First XI with its first win coming in the 15th game against St George at Hurstville. Rosser was the star on that occasion knocking Saints over for just 125 with a return of 5-50 from 20 unchanged overs. Nathan was also one of the more consistent bats that summer hitting 285 runs with a top score of 62 against Easts.

Nathan was again one of the most consistent performers in 2006-07 with both bat and ball. He was outstanding with the ball in the team's best win of the season, an outright victory against Sydney University. In the first innings of that match it was Rosser's 4-25 which saw Uni. collapse for 120 while his 2-25 from 15 overs with seven maidens in the second dig to restrict them to 166 did much to set up the outright result.

Nathan retired from Sydney Grade Cricket at the end of that season returning to the family home in the country. In his four seasons he established himself as one of Randwick Petersham's best all-round cricketers in its first 10 years.