



The First Graders

Shawn Flegler

Randwick Petersham 1st Grade cap number: 49

Full Name: **Shawn Leonard Flegler**

Date and Place of Birth: **23 March 1972, Darwin**

Occupation: **Player Development Manager, Qld Cricket**

Playing role: **Left arm spin bowler / left hand bat**

BATTING									
Season	Mtch	Inns	N.O.	Best	Runs	Ave.	100	50	Ct.
2006-07*	21	22	2	85*	563	28.15	0	2	7
BOWLING									
Season	Overs	Mdn	Wkts	Runs	Ave.	Best	5w	10w	
2006-07*	245	26	29	889	30.66	4-42	0	0	

*captain



A former Victorian and Queensland Sheffield Shield all-rounder, Shawn Flegler made his club debut in 2006-07 and was immediately installed as 1st Grade captain. It was a positive move by club selectors as Shawn led the team to a win in round one against University of NSW at Village Green in a limited overs affair. He top scored with 85 not out as part of a new club record 164 partnership for the sixth wicket with Nathan Hauritz who was also making his debut with the club and in Sydney Grade Cricket. Shawn followed up with two wickets for 39 in an impressive start to what was to be an excellent season for the talented left-hander.

It was back to reality next game however, with an outright loss to Fairfield-Liverpool but in the third round of the new season Flegler was at the helm of a record limited overs score when Randwick Petersham racked up a huge six for 336 in just 50 overs to smash UTS Balmain on their turf at Drummoyne Oval. With three half-centuries in the top order Flegler put the icing on the cake with a fantastic innings of 45 in just 21 balls which included four sixes. A total of 106 runs came from the final eight overs.

With a few other handy knocks and some tight bowling, Flegler led the way in the side making the Limited Overs Competition Grand Final. And while we went down by 11 runs to Bankstown in that epic match at Coogee Oval, Shawn played a fighting captain's innings of 44 while he was hard to get away in conceding just 32 runs from 10 overs in a Bankstown total of 6-281.

In the Belvidere Cup 1st Grade competition the side struggled to gain the initiative in many games despite one of the best line-ups in the comp. The match against Sydney University at Petersham was an exception however, with an unexpected outright win going our way. Chasing 195 for an outright by the students, they were 0-103 and going strongly. However, a devastating spell of spin bowling by Flegler where he took four of 10 wickets to fall for just 63 runs reversed the run of the game to see a Randwick Petersham outright win by 29 runs. Flegler's timely 4-42 turned out to be his best figures for the season.

Shawn was involved in another high-scoring sixth wicket partnership when he and Matt Taylor put on 131 at Coogee against Campbelltown-Camden. They came together with the score tottering 5-78 enabling a competitive total of 298 to be set after Taylor hit 77 and Flegler 76. That was Shawn's second highest score of the summer behind his unconquered 85 in round one.

With nine wins and a tie from 19 matches, the 12th placed result was a disappointing one for the team. However, the seeds had been sown for future seasons and expectations were high for the following 2007-08 summer. Disappointingly that new season did not contain the name Shawn Flegler who was forced to put business commitments before cricket and he was lost to the club. With 563 runs and 29 wickets, the most in 1st Grade, Shawn Flegler showed why he had represented two states at the first-class level.