

The First Graders

Brett Jackson



Randwick Petersham 1st Grade cap number: 58

Full name: **Brett Jackson**

Date and Place of Birth: **15 December 1986**

Secondary School: **West Wallsend High**

Playing role: **Right hand bat/ right arm medium pace bowler**

Occupation: **Horse Supplies Industry**

BATTING									
Season	Mtch	Inns	N.O.	Best	Runs	Ave.	100	50	Ct.
2007-08	14	14	1	86	352	27.08		1	3
2008-09	18	21	2	106	724	38.11	1	4	9
T20	3	3	0	40	60	20			0
2009-10	8	8	0	75	187	23.38		1	6
Totals	43	46	3	106	1,323	30.77	1	6	18
BOWLING									
Season	Overs	Mdn	Wkts	Runs	Ave.	Best	5w	10w	
2007-08	8	1	1	31	31	1-28			
2008-09	65.5	4	5	318	63.60	2-39			
T20	8	0	2	78	39	1-37			
2009-10	1	0	0	6	0	0-6			
Totals	82.5	5	8	433	54.13	2-39			



An attacking and gifted ball-striker, Brett joined us from the Wallsend club in Newcastle at the start of the 2007-08 season. Two seasons later he was the leading batsman in the club with a fantastic tally of 724 runs for the season—all in 1st Grade.

Jackson made his Randwick Petersham 1st Grade and Sydney Grade Cricket debut against St George at Hurstville Oval. His opportunities were limited in that match which finished in a tie although his 18 not out from 14 balls impressed keen judges. By seasons end however, he was regarded as one of the successes of the summer scoring a total of 537 runs in the top two grades which was the fourth highest aggregate in the club. His best 1st Grade score was 86 against Penrith in extremely hot conditions at Howell Oval which enabled the side to get home by just five runs. Interestingly he was the star of the under 21 Poidevin Gray team that season with 211 runs and seven wickets. His 104 against Mosman in just 79 minutes to win a PG match by 10 wickets took the club to the top of the ladder in the Club Championship competition which it subsequently won.

His batting had club followers eager for more and they were not disappointed by the time 2008-09 rolled around. His 106 against Hawkesbury was his first in 1st Grade as well as for the club. In that match Brett and Matthew Taylor put on a partnership of 202 for the second wicket which was just 14 short of the club record. He should have had a second century being caught when he top-scored with 99 against North Sydney at Petersham Oval.

Jackson was also dynamic against Sydney University where he hit 85 opening the innings. Other top knocks included 66 against Sutherland and a fine 57 against the premiers St George. His performances won him selection in the NSW Colts team to play Queensland but illness prevented him taking his place in the Blues' line-up. His cagy medium pacers added an extra dimension to his game while his fielding was simply superb resulting in him taking out the club's annual fielding award trophy.

Despite being on the verge of bigger and better things in cricket, the summer of 2009-10 brought with it a summer of uncertainty for Brett Jackson, the result of which saw him play just eight matches. And while he struggled to regain the form of the previous season his 75 against Sydney at Coogee as part of a huge score of 7-403 declared was a sample of his undisputed class.

In 2010-11 and in an attempt to pursue a first class cricket opportunity, Brett moved to Port Adelaide in South Australia where he played a few matches before returning to Newcastle where he became one of the district's top batsmen in the seasons which followed.

In his three seasons with Randwick Petersham Brett Jackson scored 1,508 runs and took 14 wickets while holding 19 catches.