



The First Graders

Peter Cross

Randwick Petersham 1st Grade cap number: 69

Full Name: **Peter Rowan Cross**

Date and Place of Birth: **1 June 1980, Gosford, NSW**

Secondary School: **Henry Kendall High, Gosford**

Occupation: **Sales Manager**

Playing role: **Left hand bat**



BATTING									
Season	Mtch	Inns	N.O.	Best	Runs	Ave.	100	50	Ct.
2009-10	9	6	0	52	134	22.33		1	3
T20	2	2	0	4	4	2			0
2010-11	6	4	3	51*	67	67.00		1	3
Totals	17	12	3	52	205	22.78		2	6

Peter Cross made his Randwick Petersham and Sydney Grade Cricket 1st Grade debut in round six of the 2009-10 season after some impressive performances in 2nd Grade. The match was against Sydney University at Coogee Oval and his first game in the top grade was equally impressive. The left hand opening bat who joined us that season scored 45 off 106 balls with eight fours to take the score to 2-87 after his opening partner Usman Khawaja was dismissed for just nine in a match where the side was soundly beaten.

Despite top-scoring in that match, Cross was relegated to 2nds after one more round but was brought back for round 12. Batting in an unaccustomed no. seven position he smashed 52 off just 78 balls with four fours and two mighty sixes. Unfortunately the 316 scored against Campbelltown-Camden amounted to nought with no play possible on a rain-sodden Coogee Oval on day two.

After starting the 2010-11 season in 2nd Grade the former Lane Cove Shires dashing batsman was ushered into 1st Grade for the round two limited overs clash with Fairfield-Liverpool at Rosedale Oval. Coming to the wicket with the score a shaky 4-91 he stayed at the crease for the remainder of the 50 overs rattling up a fine top-score of 51 not out off 69 balls with two fours and a six. The final total of 167 was matched by Fairfield in the run chase for the game to end in an exciting tie.

The strength of the 1st Grade side at that time was unfortunate for Peter as he was only called on to bat on three occasions during the rest of the season as the team again went on to secure a place in the Belvidere Cup 1st Grade Grand Final. His omission was 2nd Grade's gain however, as Cross headed the batting in that grade with 489 runs at 44.45 with a classic 139 not out against St George at Hurstville Oval emphasising his quality.

In two seasons with the club Peter Cross accumulated 948 runs in both 1st and 2nd grades. However, a move to Victoria prior to the 2011-12 season cut short his impressive record with the club. Interestingly, he joined sub-district club Caulfield south of the border linking up with former Randwick Petersham champion fast bowler Adam Warren.

