

Batting

Firstly, a special award to someone who scored a hundred this season, his first but hopefully not his last in Cavalier colours. For his 109 v Newport Fugitives: Glenn Chapman

7 guys averaged more than 20 with the bat this year and, as well as Glenn's hundred, there were 12 fifties scored including one each by debutants Siva and Tom, whose great promise saw him finish 4th in the averages.

In third place, with 3 fifties and just over 600 runs is our skipper Jimmy Marchant who averaged 26.48

Just pipping him, with one fifty but he probably would've had more if injury had not curtailed his season, is Mike McVeigh who averaged 26.60

However, this year's top batsman with 5 scores over 50 and a top score of 94, totalling 590 runs at an average of 32.78 is Andrew Steadman

Bowling & fielding

Firstly a special award for someone who set a new club record this season. Taking 19 catches to eclipse his old club record. This trophy also recognises his achievement in setting a new appearances record, having played in 35 of our 39 matches this year: Jimmy Marchant

Despite some huge scores this has perhaps been a season held in more affection by the bowlers. The Gog bagged a five-for against Hockey and Gravy, who led our Willow attack so admirably, took 15 wickets at just shade over 25 a piece But that didn't even get him a place in the top 10

There was just 0.55 of an average run separating Bill, who showed considerable prowess with the ball this year and yet only finished 11th, and the occupant of 3rd place. So small have been the margins this year that the bowling analyses have been counted, recounted, counted backwards, forwards again and then recounted

In third place with 7 wickets at 19.57 with a strike rate of a wicket every 15 balls is Jeremy Sparkes

In 2nd place with 8 wickets at 14.87 at a strike rate of a wicket every 20 balls is Mark Twaits

But the top bowler this year with the incredible average of just 11.77 and taking his 9 wickets at a rate of one every 14 balls is another of our debutants Adi Ramegowda

Champagne Moment – as adjudged by Glyn and Gog

Here are their comments ...

Having considered all the match reports it is fair to say that there are only a few genuine champagne moments. A number of reports seemed to focus on bowling spells or significant innings which were outstanding in their own right but the champagne moment is awarded for that one moment of brilliance on the field of play.

Amongst the moments which were worthy of consideration were:

- Jimmy's great catch to dismiss the Sri Lankan batsman Dougie and give Ross his 100th wicket for the club in his testimonial year
- JD's magnificent six over long on against the Hurricanes in a low scoring game on a slow wicket - a perfect clean strike of the ball which all the watching crowd on the boundary at Cathedral School really enjoyed
- The moment of sheer joy and indeed relief when Glenn reached his maiden century for the Cavaliers against Newport Fugitives back in May of this year

But the moment which wins this year's vote goes to one of the excellent new recruits all of whom have really fitted so well into the club. The match was against Welsh Blood at Cathedral School with Chris Hajgato making his debut.

Indeed, Chris was bowling his first over for the club when the batsman - who had been scoring freely at the time - top edged the ball straight into the air. Both "Sparky the Gloves" and Chris, the bowler, headed for the ball and just when a collision was inevitable along came a sliding Dan Bailey, running in from the covers, to take a superb diving catch in between Jez and Chris.

Amazingly no-one was injured (as some of the older Cavaliers were beginning to fear) and to keep his eye on the ball and take such a clean catch was a truly magnificent effort.

The Champagne Moment award goes to Dan Bailey.

Player of the Year

There's been some outstanding performances during the season and the Player of the Year accolade is among one of the most cherished awards, being selected by you, and reflecting consistency on the field

7 people were nominated this year, including 2 of our debutants which shows the impact they've had in the first season, so hats off to Tom and Siva. There were also nominations for Glenn and Steaders.

In third place with his all round talents being reflected in taking 17 wickets this year and scoring nearly 150 runs including a fifty against Sri Lankans, is our vice captain, Jason Duffy

Runner up is the man who's led our bowling attack in the Willow games this year, achieving the remarkable figures of 4-0-3-4 against the perennial (except for this year) Champions South Glam. He finished with 15 wickets and scored over 300 runs to be 5th in the batting averages, Andrew Graveson

This year's winner, with over half of the club nominating him as their first choice, is a man who's set a tremendous example from the front. Here are some of the things you said about him

... batted with skill and focus throughout the season, overcame a couple of bad days at the office to carry on applying pressure with the ball, and came up with my most memorable fielding moment of the year (run-out against South Glam in the league)

... has come through with bat and ball on so many occasions this year that it would be hard to vote for anyone else. His numbers speak for themselves

... be it with bat, ball or in the field [he] has contributed in every game

... no other player came close to contributing as much to the team cause

He's been our leading wicket-taker with 31, our leading fielder with a new club record of 19 catches, and leading run scorer notching just over 600 runs

Your choice as 2011 Player of the Year is our skipper Jimmy Marchant

Clubman

The second of the most coveted awards is for the person who most epitomised the spirit of the club on and off the field. Again, it's a great testament to the Cavaliers' ethos that 12 people received nominations, including another of our debutants, so all credit to Dan.

All of our top three can lay claim to having seen more Cavaliers' action than anyone else this season, whether on the field or from the boundary edge

In 3rd place, and underlining up why he's been such a great skipper for the club where his off field attitude tallies with his match performances – Jimmy Marchant.

The runner up is a man who has been at 34 of our games, appearing in 20 of them. He has, among other things, introduced us to the various delights of TeamLine, MailChimp and Zoho – the Cavaliers' very own Inspector Gadget, Jeremy Sparkes

This year's winner, though, is a guy who could have been forgiven for avoiding the cricket pitch. Here are some of the comments you made about him:

... his ever present support, encouragement and good humour have been a feature of the season

... the club is full of good clubmen, but [his] reaction to his injury by carrying on contributing however he could speaks volumes about both him and the club

... attended almost all mid week games, sourced excellent kit and generally kept the banter at a healthy level

... a huge loss to us on the field, he was ever present at games, itching to get back playing - a valuable club member and new Mr Clothing

... present at most of the games, despite being injured, and always prepared to help out whether it was umpiring ,scoring ,collecting the boundary markers - all in all, a true Cavalier

Your choice as 2011 Clubman is Mike McVeigh