

## Freddie Coleman (1<sup>st</sup> XI 2006-10)

It is unusual for a schoolboy to achieve full international status whilst still at school but Freddie Coleman [N7] managed just that when picked for the Scottish Saltires against Nottinghamshire in May 2010.

His full cap was the result of some impressive performances from Coleman. He had scored hundreds against a number of National League Premiership sides for the National Academy, and had made his debut in the new regional series for Caledonia in 2010.



This selection came on the back of a number of honours for Freddie who had long been a member of the Scottish age group sides. He had tasted success for the U15 national squad scoring a century on their memorable trip to South Africa in 2007; he had been simultaneously a member of the U17 side which went on to win the European Championships, then more recently a key member of the U18 and U19 sides which also won European honours, progressing towards the next stage of qualification for the 2011 World Cup. If this was not enough, he also found time to make a couple of appearances for the Scottish Lions [effectively the second Scottish side] and for the Warwickshire Academy in 2009 and again in 2010.



On the domestic front for Strathallan, Freddie's scoring has been instrumental in a successful number of years for the 1<sup>st</sup> XI. Coming into the XI in 3<sup>rd</sup> Form (2006), he made a half-century in a successful run chase against Loretto, in just his second match. In 2008 he scored 679 runs at an average of 97 to be in the top five schoolboy averages in Britain. After a relatively lean 2009, with a 'mere' average in the mid thirties, he came roaring back to form in 2010 with 696 runs at an average of 139.20. Within this total of runs he scored four centuries – 113 no against Dollar Academy, 104 against the Scottish XL Club, 140 no against MCC, and 126 against the Caledonian Academy. Add to this an unbeaten 99 against the Strathallians and one can see the full measure of his heavy scoring.

In addition to his run-scoring prowess, Freddie was also captain in 2009-10, and our off-spin bowler. He led the team in 2010 to a number of excellent victories including away wins at Merchiston [for the first time in recent memory], and at Glenalmond College. There was also a clean sweep of club matches against the XL club, Strathallians and MCC.

He leaves Strathallan for a contract with the Warwickshire Academy having scored a touch under two thousand runs for the 1<sup>st</sup> XI at an exceptional average of 65.

Year	Innings	Not Out	Runs	Centuries	Highest Score	Average
2006	7	2	146	-	50	29.20
2007	7	-	238	-	69	34.00
2008	10	3	679	1	142 no	97.00
2009	7	1	207	-	78 no	34.50
2010	8	3	696	4	140 no	139.20

2006-10	39	9	1966	5	142 no	65.53
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