

Minutes for the Annual General Meeting of the Lilydale and District Cricket Association competition (later to become the Yarra Valley Cricket Association) for season 1918/19 cannot be located, and given the timing with World War One, it is likely no 'AGM' meeting was actually held. There is a newspaper article (below) that gives some detail as to the competition commencing again after a recess due to the War. The newspaper article is from the Lilydale Express on Friday 10th October 1919 (page 3).

CRICKET.

At a meeting of delegates representing Seville, Woori, Lilydale, and Wandin cricket clubs it was decided to form an Association namely the Lilydale and District Cricket Association, consisting of the four above-named clubs.

Mr. C. Hand of Seville and Arthur Jones were elected president and secretary respectively.

The competition is to commence on Saturday, Oct. 18, when Lilydale will meet Woori at Lilydale, and Seville will be at home to Wandin.

From reports to hand the four clubs are to be well represented this season, so we may look forward to some rattling good games.

Seville have the makings of a strong eleven this year, the colts have been practising hard the last two weeks and with the assistance of the Read Bros., W. Payne, T. Kemp, W. Read, Ep. Parlane, and Bridge, they will be hard to beat.

Wandin should do well this year as all their old players are available, with the addition of two fine cricketers in W. and C. Madden; also the Russell Bros., Tom and Will, who have lately returned from active service.

Mr. Wellman has laid down a new wicket which will be in perfect order for the first match.

At a recent meeting of the club, Mr. J. G. Leckie, the popular secretary, was presented by the members with a gold medal, suitably inscribed, for services rendered.

Woori are very confident, and with Mr. Lester as secretary they are a strong combination.