

ANNUAL/SECRETARY REPORT 1939-40

Sec. Report.

Despite difficulties owing to depletion of players through military service + transport problems the R.D.C.A. functioned successfully last season.

A number of clubs were unable to field teams + instead of 15 clubs + 18 competing teams, the previous year, we faced the season with only 9 clubs.

Unfortunately after the draw had been made + one round played, Mooroolbark were unable to continue + withdrew from the Competition -

A new draw was made with 8 clubs competing in 1 Grade + 1 Section -

Clubs unable to function were -

Bayswater, Heathmont, Wongah Park - 29
Scoresby - Warrandyte - Croydon North, and
+ Mooroolbark -

On the whole the season was successful & games were played in a good spirit -

North Ringwood - Wantrona, Kilsyth & Ringwood, competed in a round of Semi-Final games.

Ringwood defeated Wantrona by 67 runs & Kilsyth had a walkover against North Ringwood who abandoned the game after the second day's play subsequent to losing a protest on the match -

In the final Kilsyth defeated Ringwood by 8 wickets -

A feature of the match was the allround play of Herb Read for Kilsyth - who compiled 53 not out - & 25 not out - & captured 5 wickets for 29 & 2 for 20 - an excellent performance

Kilguth have now won 4 Premierships.

They were Premiers in A Grade in
1932-33 - 33-34 - 34-35 - 36-37 -
1940-41 - & in B. Grade 1931-32:

In view of prevailing conditions
clubs did a good job in completing
the season —

This season, we face the same
difficulties but there are plenty of
boys to be trained & it is essential
that the game must go on &
the Association function —

The system of 1 day matches is
worthy of consideration —
Metropolitan clubs have tried it
with success & it would come of
our Servicemen an opportunity
for play —

1939-40 Season - despite
difficulties must be regarded as
a successful season:

= 21 clubs affiliated. entering 33 teams -
3 Grades were allotted. 10 in A. 13 in B.
+ 10 in C.

The only upset during the year
was the expulsion of Ring just C.
from the Assoc. owing to non payment
of fees - no fees have been paid to date.
This matter was dealt with at a special
meeting on 13 March -

Boronia - Gully, Kilyth + North Wood
were the A Grade finalists with Boronia
gaining the Premiership -

Warrandyte - N. Baywater - Scoresby + Wantna
were the four in B Grade, with N. Baywater
gaining the Premiership -

Warrandyte - Rowd. Kilyth + Wantna
were the C Grade finalists + Warrandyte
gained the Premiership - thus winning 2 Premierships

FINANCIAL REPORT NOT LOCATED BUT MINUTES OF
1940 A.G.M. STATE BALANCE OF APPROX £25 - HELD
RESOLVED TO CONTRIBUTE £20 IN A WAR SAVINGS
CERTIFICATE.