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&
BALANCE SHEET**

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RINGWOOD AND DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION INC.

OFFICE BEARERS – SEASON 2004/05

Board of Management

Chairman (President of Senior body)	Steve Pascoe
Manager Administration	Ian Spencer
Manager Operations	Russell Jenzen
Manager Finance	Stuart Newey
Junior Representative	Josh Browne
Veterans Representative	Bill Stafford

Committee Members

Rules Committee Chairman:	Russell Jenzen
Under 18/ Under 21 Manager:	David Beatty
Social Convenor:	Lesley Watson
VMCU Delegate/Outer East Region Rep:	Pat Meehan
Grants Adviser and Media (Radio)	Russell Bartlett
Media – Website	Tyson Heinrich
Match Committee Chairman:	Neil Tull
Umpires Association Secretary/Delegate:	Martien Pruyzers

Other Sections

Tribunal Panel Members:	John Macmillan (Chairman), Bill Wilkins and Neil Tucker. Graeme Seymour was seconded.
Veterans President:	Ken Johnston
Veterans Secretary:	Graeme Seymour
Junior President:	Josh Browne
Junior Secretary:	John Springett

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

At the end of the previous season there was a re-grading proposal on the table that had the Association abuzz. It was an issue that potentially effected the positions of all clubs commencing season 2005-06.

The Board of Management (BoM) had thoroughly considered the challenges that the RDCA faces in providing a cricket medium in which as many as possible will be able to participate in the years to come. Their preference for the future format of the competition certainly did not meet with the approval of many of the Clubs within the Association.

Various justifiable proposals were put forward by Club representatives as to an appropriate grading system that would suit their individual needs under the guise of what was good for the competition as a whole.

Despite many protestations to the contrary, from my view, the proposals appeared to be self centered and predicated on the need to preserve status in the so-called "elite" level of our competition. To continue to grow and improve, the competition must retain the interest and involvement of the many young cricketers that are lost to the game as they are lured by other pastimes or are simply not able to be accommodated through lack of facilities at their chosen Club. Unfortunately, all too often, outcomes only reflect the needs of now.

While personally disagreeing with the outcome, it was great that a number of Club representatives had the gumption to stand up and be counted to ensure that their perceived needs were heard. In such circumstances the BoM must take notice and would much rather implement policy changes, after robust debate on the pros and cons of any proposal, than being lampooned after the fact when such proposals are adopted after tacit approval is presumed through lack of interest from the Clubs and players it affects.

The RDCA needs more input of this kind. Don't be afraid to bring up any constructive suggestion either through your Club or direct with RDCA Administration Manager.

As you are probably aware, I am an advocate for preserving the Spirit of Cricket and the age-old perception of "The Gentlemen's Game".

Don't get me wrong – I'm as competitive as anyone while on the field. But I'm there to enjoy it for as long as physically possible, contribute to the enjoyment of my team mates and provide the opposition with the playing environment stated in the RDCA Constitution as "free from any objectionable features" and to promote "the better acquaintance and fellowship of the players of the Association".

When unable to participate, there is still the enjoyment watching others involved in this great game; a team sport that provides a challenge on a competitive stage where some excel but, more importantly accommodates all levels of ability where even the least skilful is able to contribute to a team's success.

My message during the past 6 years of Presidency has been that actions of individuals or teams that flagrantly disregard the rights of others to participate in the proper environment should not be condoned under any circumstances. Unfortunately, behavioural standards appear to have become more antagonistic in recent years and unsavoury incidents dismissed by many as not worth pursuing.

Let me assure you that the more unacceptable behaviour is condoned, by not taking action of reporting through the appropriate channels, the worse and more frequent such behaviour will become. Accordingly the tightening of disciplinary processes at the start of 2004-05 was a welcome initiative. The implementation of a wide ranging raft of designated penalties, an investigation process able to be instigated from a number of sources and an independent, yet in house, appeals process, worked well but needed to be invoked too often for my liking.

During the season there were a number of matters identified that needed review and consideration of future action to be implemented. Early finishes, allegations of contrived results, fairness of points allocations in certain circumstances and various other matters raise their heads on a regular basis. Despite past attempts to remedy it is apparent that more work and strong decisions need to be adopted in some areas. The Rules Committee will be on the job over the winter.

Beside the great cricket played and some wonderful team and individual efforts during the season, major highlights, in my eyes, were the growth of the RDCA Umpires Panel and the strengthening of ties with our Cricket Victoria partner, Ringwood Rams.

The former has seen the numbers on our Umpiring Panel grow with more ex-RDCA players committing themselves to putting more back into the game and the significant work of Don Smith, Martien Pruyzers and advisor, Graeme Lloyd, building a more qualified, stronger team, aware of their importance to the standard of cricket in the RDCA.

Ringwood Rams, under the enthusiastic leadership of Graeme O'Donnell and with many executive / playing members having strong ties to RDCA Clubs, devoted many hours and days to assisting local players with individual and team coaching and Clubs by conducting "Coach the Coaches" sessions that will assist with future development of skills and training attitudes. The Rams are acutely aware of their role in a cricketer's pathway to first class cricket levels and we share goals that will see the future recognition of RCC, RDCA and the Outer Eastern Region being the leading nursery of 1st Class cricketers in Victoria.

Perhaps the most significant initiative was the introduction of the Twenty 20 match that saw the Rams' 1st XI pitted against an RDCA Representative team with the view of raising funds for the Tsunami Appeal. While the result did not go the way we would have hoped, we saw some entertaining and innovative cricket that kept the spectators on their toes throughout. The main result was a fine effort in raising about \$5,000 for the appeal and laying the foundation for similar matches on an annual basis.

The efforts of my fellow BoM members Ian Spencer (Manager Administration), Stuart Newey (Manager Finance), Russell Jenzen (Manager Senior Operations), Josh Browne (President Junior Administration) and Bill Stafford (Veterans' Representative) cannot be underestimated and I thank them for the time and commitment given to make this Association tick. (Reports on the season from each of the sub-committees viewpoint are elsewhere in this report).

The future continues to hold many challenges to ensure that, within the wide boundaries of the RDCA, as many people as possible are given the opportunity to enjoy our great game.

I have decided to leave that challenge in others hands and will not be standing for re-appointment in any capacity at the Annual General Meeting.

In wishing my successor the same fulfilment I experienced over the good part of 33 years on the RDCA Executive, I must thank many people for allowing me the honour of leading such a great Association.

- All RDCA office bearers and committee members, both past and present, that helped ease the burden by volunteering their time and energy
- All Club Officials for their selfless work in improving the fortunes of their Club for the enjoyment of their members
- All Players who have applied themselves and assisted team mates towards maximising their enjoyment of cricket.

Most of all, I thank my family. As with many of the readers of this report, without the support of family members, involvement in playing cricket, let alone devoting many hours to administration, would not be possible without the blessing and assistance of loved ones.

In Ann, I have been fortunate in forging a “partnership” that has, to date, encompassed 39 cricket seasons of unswerving support for my other passion. Ann’s support grew to committee involvement at Club and Association level and there was none prouder than I when her work was recognised by Life Membership to the RDCA (1990) and Warrandyte CC (1992).

Our daughter, Rachelle, attended her first cricket match when 11 days old and for the past Umpteen years, since she was 13 years old, has been the voice on the end of the telephone when scores are ‘phoned in at the end of each days play.

I would not have been able to be involved as deeply or for as long unless I had the wholehearted support of both Ann & Rachelle and I thank them both for allowing the opportunity.

The RDCA has been a leader in Metro Cricket for many years, introducing many innovations and not afraid to adapt ideas for improvement when a benefit for the Association was identified.

The administration is in the good hands of dedicated and forward thinking cricket enthusiast who, with the support of Club officials and players will ensure the future of cricket in our area.

Departure from my role is with the satisfaction that I have contributed to a competition with which I am proud to be involved and in which I still intend to participate as long as my body permits.

I wish you all well for your future endeavours on and off the field and hope that we cross paths regularly for many seasons to come.

When we do, as a line from one of my favourite songs states “Let us drink to times gone by, and may the wine of friendship never run dry”.

Thank you for allowing me to be part of the RDCA’s journey.

Steve Pascoe

FAREWELL TO STEVE PASCOE

On behalf of the RDCA I write a few words to express our appreciation of the support, guidance and leadership that Steve has given to the RDCA over many years, not only during the last 6 years as President, but also over the long stint that he has been an executive officer of the Association.

When Ian asked me to write on this subject, I realized that Steve and I were the longest serving members on the executive and if it had not been for Steve taking 3 years sabbatical leave in 1985 he would have been the longest serving executive member.

The RDCA relies heavily on current and/or former players taking office on the executive and to help in the running of the Association - Bill Dean, Bill Wilkins, Lindsay Trollope, Ken Dunham are 4 of many who immediately come to mind –without a doubt Steve Pascoe is another who fits this criteria.

Before I refer to Steve's roles with the RDCA, let me highlight some of his activities as a player in two of the member clubs of the Association.

He commenced playing with Norwood Cricket Club or Norwood High School Cricket Club as it was known when Steve started with them as a junior in 1959.

During his time at Norwood, which terminated after the 1976/77 season, Steve was Club Champion six times, a member of the Club's 1968/69 Junior and B Grade premierships, the Club's 1975/76 A Grade premiership and the 1976/77 Twilight premiership sides.

He scored 4050 runs and took 502 wickets during his playing days with the Norwood Cricket Club, he held the position of Club Secretary from 1967 to 1974 and is a Life member of the club.

Steve moved to Warrandyte Cricket Club at the start of the 1977/79 season to take up a three year appointment to the position of Captain / Coach.

He played 267 games there, during which he scored 6094 runs and took 327 wickets and was a member of the Club's 1981/82 and 1983/84 Chandler Shield premierships and the 1998/99 Veterans premiership side.

Steve served as President of Warrandyte Cricket Club for 9 years, was Secretary for 9 years and Treasurer for 8 years and he is also a life member of club.

During his RDCA playing days, he received the following awards:

All Rounder Award for the 1971/72 season

A Grade Batting Award for the 1979/80 season

Chandler Shield 2 Batting and Bowling Awards for the 1993/94 season

Also, Steve was Captain of the RDCA's 1969/1970 victorious VJCU Under 21 side.

I recall the first occasion that I umpired Steve; it was an Inter Association match at East Ringwood against Northern Suburban Cricket Association who had a long history of beating the RDCA. We had two opening bowlers by the name of Steve, Steven Foster from Wonga Park and Steve Pascoe. What Steven Foster had in pace, Steve Pascoe had an ability to move the ball, with the result being a very significant win.

Steve joined the RDCA Executive team in 1972 and served as Secretary from 1975 to 1985 when he resigned to devote more time to Warrandyte.

He returned to the Executive in 1988 and took the position of Vice President. Following the resignation of Bill Wilkins he became President in 1999 and has held that position since.

Steve was awarded an RDCA Life Membership during the 1980-81 season.

During his time on the Executive, in particular as President, Steve has played a significant part in many reforms aimed at improving cricket playing conditions and the standard of cricket played in the RDCA.

Some of these reforms have included:

- ❖ Establishing the RDCA Veterans competition
- ❖ Establishing a 4 tier competition – Premier, Senior, Junior and Veterans
- ❖ Moving the Executive function into a more appropriate structure – a Board of Management with supporting sub committees spreading the work load over more volunteers

Steve has never been backward in stepping forward to take on additional tasks in the name of the RDCA – two of these tasks immediately spring to mind

1. When the RDCA was having trouble in getting results published in newspapers, he took on the task of providing a timely weekly results and commentary service to those papers
2. When Ian Spencer fell ill several seasons ago, Steve took over the role of Secretary of the Association in addition to his role as President.

Behind every good man is said to be a good woman and in Steve's case there are two ladies involved, namely Anne and Rachel.

Rachel, we all know as the lady behind the telephone when scores are phoned in each week. She has done this job for 20 years and is also calling it a day and we thank her very much for her efforts over this period.

Anne Pascoe joined the RDCA Executive in 1988 and ran the Social Functions, until she resigned from the Executive at the end of the 2000 cricket season. Anne was awarded a Life Membership of the RDCA during the 1992/93 season.

On a trivia note, I am sure Steve would acknowledge that his cricket trophies and memorabilia would not rival the late Bill Dean's collection however Steve's collection does include a copy of each year's Wisden Cricketer's Almanack published since 1949 - I stand to be corrected but I do not think Bill Dean's collection included all these publications.

Steve would be the first to agree that the role of President is one where you are the spokesperson for the Association and where decisions have to be taken. It is a somewhat thankless task as, invariably, decisions will not be agreed to by all Clubs and members.

As a consequence the position requires a person of strong conviction to take the role and based on the past 6 seasons, it is obvious that Steve is such a person.

Steve, on behalf of the Clubs and players who form the RDCA, thank you for your involvement in running the Association over such a long time. To Anne, thank you for sharing Steve with the Association over this period.

Stuart Newey

MANAGER ADMINISTRATION REPORT

The 2004 Annual Meeting of the Association was held on 18 August in the Social Rooms of the Kilsyth Cricket Club.

Steve Pascoe was returned as President of the Association, which also saw him continue as Chairman of the Board of Management. Ian Spencer and Stuart Newey (Manager Finance) were re-elected. Members had approved, in the rule changes, the creation of a new Board position titled "Manager Operations" and Russell Jenzen was elected to this role. Josh Browne, who had been elected President of the junior section, became the representative for that body and Bill Stafford remained as the Veterans representative.

Shortly after the completion of season 2003/04, a Questionnaire was sent to clubs from which arose what was to become, as you can see from Steve's comments, a very contentious grading proposal for season 2005/06 and beyond. After a couple of meetings of clubs, it was determined at the AGM that a "working party" be formed to see whether an alternative option, that was acceptable to a large majority of clubs, could be put together.

The Working Party, which comprised Russell Jenzen (chairman), Pat Meehan, Steve Pascoe, Shawn Everitt, Brendan Ricci, Ian Dench, Peter Young, Paul Bennett and Terry Swanson, ultimately produced an alternative recommendation but again there were varying reactions and it became obvious that, in the immediate future, it will be difficult to achieve consensus amongst member clubs.

Subsequently, the BoM, on the recommendation of Operations Committee, decided that for season 2005/06 the structure would be as follows: Chandler and reserves (12 teams), Wilkins and reserves (8 teams) and Newey (8 teams). Newey reserves will no longer exist and those teams will be interspersed amongst the senior grades.

On the insurance front, we received very late advice from Cricket Australia (National Insurance program) of a change to the calculation formula that also included a substantial increase in premiums. Fortunately, with the assistance of Cricket Victoria, we were able to negotiate a reduction that kept increase to a minimal level although the calculation method (per team basis) resulted in the bigger clubs paying more.

In season 2003/04 there were, unfortunately, more injury claims than we would have hoped for and it was pleasing to recently receive advice that the number was significantly lower in season 04/05. Indications are that premiums across the insurance sphere are likely to decrease, but by how much is the big question.

Season 2004/05 saw South Ringwood and Parkwood merge to become known as Warranwood with home base being Quambee reserve. The club assumed the former position of South Ringwood, in Chandler, and were right in the running for a finals berth until a much discussed last round of results saw them just miss out.

The gradual demise of the One Day Grade came to a conclusion when there were only a handful of entries. With the abolition of this grade, Knox Churches, who had joined the RDCA a season earlier, departed to join a nearby association who offered the all one-day games option.

With Parkwood merging, the Newey ranks needed another team to supplement numbers and Mooroolbark, having previously won "A" grade, accepted a request to make the step up. This team, playing against a number of club's first elevens, did well and earned a finals spot.

I think it reasonable to say that this will be the forerunner to other Chandler clubs having a team elevated into the "Newey" grade.

Still on the Newey front, there had been some concerns with the viability of North United Lyons and although there had been assurances the club would field teams, it eventuated, in the week leading up to the season, that the club decided to disband. Unfortunately, this late withdrawal left us with no option other than to proceed with seven teams, each having two “byes” during the season.

The major rule change, of those implemented for season 2004/05, saw the introduction of fixed penalties for various types of offences and the rule also contained a clause that saw suspended players rendered ineligible for grade trophies (this was to cause controversy later in the season). Whilst clubs voted unanimously for the introduction of the rule, the number of players suspended and the reactions to the penalty term and extenuating circumstances make one question whether the contents of the rule were brought to the attention of the players.

It was especially disappointing to have a couple of club leaders suspended for lengthy terms for abuse towards umpires and I’m led to believe that there were instances in the lower grades where the reaction to umpiring decisions was less than acceptable. There was also another behavioural incident at Presentation Night, which, at this stage, has resulted in a very lengthy suspension.

The Board of Management and those who give of their time to sit on panels, to hear these matters, expect clubs and players to make themselves more conversant with, and abide by, the Code of Conduct (and resultant penalties for contravening same), and hopefully there will be a significant improvement in this area in the coming season.

Our association is one of only a few to have seen umpiring ranks increase over recent seasons. Whilst players may sometimes question an umpire’s decision making, the RDCA is fortunate to have their services and players should appreciate the contribution they make each weekend.

On the website side of things, Tyson Heinrich came on board to lighten the load on Tim Court. As a result, there was a significant increase in the number of items appearing in the “News” section and clubs are urged to again liase with Tyson in the coming season to publicise and/or promote items of note. Whilst on the website, it is pleasing to say that the response of most clubs, in relation to result input, was very prompt and we thank those who performed this task.

The Radio show saw the introduction of a new host, Russell Bartlett (who did a very good job), and a change of timeslot, from early Friday evening, to 8.00pm on a Thursday. We have had feedback, to the effect that this time is not pleasing to some listeners, and will review it when possible but for the coming season we are locked into the same timeslot. Most clubs availed themselves of the opportunity to be on air and hopefully this participation will continue in coming season.

From a social perspective, the RDCA has two major functions, Vote Count night and Presentation night. Lesley Watson has for a number of years put a lot of time and effort into the running of these events, for which the executive is most appreciative. Numbers at Presentation night were good but it is of concern that a number of clubs were not represented at the Vote Count.

Since the introduction of the “Page” finals system, the Preliminary and Grand finals have been played on neutral grounds and, of recent seasons, this has come at a cost because one council charges rental for finals and another imposes a fee where the game does not involve a club from that municipality. The Operations committee decided that, in order to minimise these costs and to give the second placed side the possibility of a “home” final (if it lost semi), the higher placed side would host the Preliminary final. The committee also determined that, with the exception of Premier grades (1sts), it would defer the announcement of Grand final venues until the participants were known. The new arrangements seemed to work well.

To the finals, this time around rain did impact, on the Saturday of the first weekend, with a number of games reduced to limited over affairs. In those that did proceed, conditions made it difficult for the fielding team. Thereafter, the weather gods again smiled on us and there were some very exciting Grand finals, particularly in the Premier grades.

My congratulations to Mooroolbark for their Chandler victory, to North Ringwood who now return to Chandler after a long stint in Wilkins and to Chirnside Park, who quickly bounce back to Wilkins after a dominating season in Newey. Congratulations also go to the Premiers in the other grades and to all of the trophy winners. It should be noted that the BoM decided that, as of season 04/05, an All-rounder trophy should be awarded in each of the Premier grades and I'm sure the recipients in Wilkins and Newey will appreciate the recognition.

Each season, the RDCA relies on "royalties", from the sale of balls, as a source of income to defray the fees imposed on clubs. Over the past two seasons, there has been an exclusive agreement to use "Kookaburra" balls and, during the course of recent negotiations on arrangements for coming seasons, information has been provided that would appear to indicate that some teams, be it senior, junior or veterans, may not have been using an approved "stamped" ball. We urge clubs to fully comply with this rule in the coming season and will be asking for opposition team captain/manager to verify before start of play that an authorised ball is being used.

The RDCA (senior and junior executives) is very appreciative of the support provided by Anthony and Russell Dunning from Topline Sports and also to Keith Hudson, from AKT Trophy Centre, who donates trophies for the Wilkins and Newey grades.

For much of the season, there was murmuring that Ferntree Gully C.C. would vacate the RDCA and return to the association from whence it came. That situation has, unfortunately, eventuated post season and, as such, the Operations committee (ratified by BoM) offered Croydon North and Croydon Ranges the opportunity to remain in Chandler and Wilkins respectively. Both clubs have gladly accepted that offer.

Finally, I add, to what Stuart has written in preceding pages, my appreciation of Steve Pascoe for his unstinting efforts on the Executive over a long period of time. He has been a very committed servant of the RDCA and his contribution will be difficult to replace.

Best wishes to all for a successful and enjoyable season in 2005/06.

Ian Spencer

REGISTRATION SECRETARY REPORT

As I am sure all clubs are aware, during the season there was a considerable improvement in the reliability of information supplied to clubs through the Sporting Pulse process.

The RDCA continues to be well supported at minimal cost by Sporting Pulse and in particular by Timothy Court. Last season, Tyson Heinrich provided additional support, which lessened the pressure on Timothy during the season. Nevertheless, I am sure there will be further enhancements to the process next season and we ask for your continued support in this matter.

For the record, the RDCA administered our association to enable 33 clubs, 124 senior teams, 144 junior teams and 35 veterans teams, together with the players involved in all these teams, to participate in the game of cricket during the 2005/2006 season.

There were of course the never-ending number of clearance applications received during the season and despite several initial refusals by the player's current club, in all instances agreement was reached by the clubs involved without redress to appeal.

This resulted in a significant saving of administrative time at both the club and association level and shows that clubs and players are prepared to talk through the issues – something that the association has been advocating for many seasons.

On behalf the RDCA, I thank the players and club administrators for their support during the past season.

Stuart Newey

UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

The season commenced with Don Smith elected as President, Graeme Lloyd re-appointed as Umpires Adviser, and Marty Clohesy elected to fill the position of Vice President.

Prior to the start of the season we managed to recruit 8 umpires, which gave us a panel of 38. Unfortunately, due to illness and work place accident, 2 of our regular umpires were unable to officiate this season but we were able to recruit another two during the season and this resulted in our association finishing the season with 38 officiating umpires.

The umpires again officiated at inter association representative games against the BHRDCA in both senior and junior level, the VTCA in U18 and U25 level, the IAJCC Junior competition over Christmas, the Neil Wright U21 competition and the Veteran grand finals.

I would like to thank the club volunteers who helped with the umpiring in the semi finals. It was disappointing that there were only 19 volunteers names put forward by 15 of the 27 clubs in the association to help out. There are a lot of clubs who always seem to find an excuse as to why they cannot supply an umpire but are unhappy, if participating, when they only receive one umpire during the finals.

Congratulations to all medal winners, trophy winners and premiers on their success this season. I extend our thanks to the captains, ladies and club members for their efforts and hospitality, before during and after the game. A special thank you to all the scorers for their dedication and assistance to the umpires.

I would like to especially thank Don Smith, who this season offered to commute around the grounds observing umpires and talking to players and officials and provide feedback to the umpires executive and adviser. I thank my fellow umpires for their dedication, enthusiasm and assistance during the season. Although players sometimes are critical of performance, we must consider how the matches would be without umpires. I urge all retiring players and/or officials to consider joining the umpire ranks in 2005/2006.

Lastly, due to work commitments I do not have the time required for the position of umpires secretary and will be standing down at the umpires AGM, but I will continue to umpire. I would like to thank everyone in the RDCA for the help they have given me in my position as Umpires Secretary and wish my successor all the best for the future.

Martien Pruyers
Umpires Secretary

MATCH COMMITTEE

Senior representative games (two) were again played against the Box Hill Reporter Cricket Association.

In addition to these games, the association joined forces with the Ringwood Cricket Club to play a 20/20 Charity match as a fund-raiser for the Tsunami Appeal organizations. It is our aim for this challenge to become an annual event.

The Executive was very appreciative of the interest shown by players in participating in these games and trust that desire is on going.

Neil Tull, (Convenor, Team Manager and Scorer), was assisted by Mark Unternahrer, Tony Gawne and Cameron Parker in the selection of Chandler group and 20/20 team, whilst Ian Donaldson and Tony Wheeler provided input on Wilkins/Newey group. Harry Sandford performed the scoring duties for the latter.

David Beatty was again in charge of U.25 (against VTCA), U.21 (Neil Wright Shield) and U.18 (against Box Hill and VTCA) sides and he was ably assisted by Geoff Stock and Andy Mirams.

Details of the games appear in the statistical section.

Neil Tull

VMCU (VICTORIAN METROPOLITAN CRICKET UNION)

Pat Meehan continued to represent the RDCA as the delegate to this body.

The VMCU consists of a Board made up of the 8 Directors, from each Metropolitan Regional Cricket Council, together with delegates from every Metropolitan Cricket Association.

Over the past season the main cricket activities have related to the management and implementation of the U21 Neil Wright Shield-culminating in a representative side playing against Victorian Country Cricket League (VCCL) in early February , and the Junior Shield & Cup Competitions for U16, U14 & U12 in January. The RDCA was well represented in the management of these Competitions and was successful on the playing field with Association representative sides.

The most significant issues considered during the season were:

- Cricket Victoria introduced changes to the U/16 Dowling Shield competition to become a State-wide regional based 16 team competition instead of the former 24 teams based upon Premier clubs. VMCU agreed to playing the U/16 Jim Beitzel Shield games on turf wickets to allow more U/16 players the opportunity to experience turf cricket conditions.
- Cricket Victoria's new IT Strategy and progress updates on "Real Sports" registration and results system available to all Associations in Victoria.
- Discussion Paper for possible rules on procedures for dealing with suspect bowling actions.
- Formation of Umpires Sub-Committee to assist in improving umpiring standards and numbers.
- Inputs into the draft "Working with Children" Bill before State Parliament.

The VMCU is also the body, which deals with club or player appeals against penalties imposed by an Association and after consideration by its independent Tribunal.

Pat Meehan

OUTER EAST METRO REGION REPORT

I was again pleased with achievements within the Region, which were entirely due to the enthusiastic and effective input of the Regional Council members:

Pat Meehan (RDCA), Neil Maxwell (FTGDCA), Allan Hughes (YVCA) and Andrew Larratt (CV Regional Cricket Manager).

The appointed coaches and managers of the various Pathway squads complimented this, in particular with Dowling Shield, in its initial year under the Regional format. We were able to work with our aligned Premier clubs, Ringwood and Hawthorn-Monash Uni, to make the transition painlessly, to the undoubted benefit of the region's best Under 16 cricketers.

The under 18s again progressed to the state final at the MCG, well led by Bryan Reid (coach), Andrew Mirams (manager) and Tom Stray (capt).

Other highlights included:

- 40 Have-A-Go groups with 189 girls among the 1392 participants (state high);
- Girl's Cric-Hit started in Yarra Valley;
- Matt Gale - state rookie contract;
- Tom Stray - Vic U19 rep/ Aust U19 World Cup squad member;
- Steve Seymour - Vic U19 rep;
- Bronte Stray - Vic U17 rep;
- Glen Maxwell - Leader Press Victorian Sports Star of the Year;
- 15 new schools join Kanga 8 programme;
- 32 attend Junior Bushrangers' Camp with specialised coaching from Peter Roach and Jason Arnberger;
- Premier 1st XI debutants: David Knowles (Fitzroy - Doncaster), Ben Stallworthy (Hawthorn - Monash Uni) and Daniel King (Ringwood);
- Michael Manders (Croydon North) volunteer of the year;

David Beatty – Chairman

JUNIOR REPORT

Another season has come and gone, with all of the usual highs and lows. Rain interruptions at the beginning and end of the season and some disruption of the finals due to an early Easter. Unfortunately we can expect more of the same next season, due to the Commonwealth Games.

The finals series provided some very high standard matches, with very few one sided clashes. Whilst there were some fine individual performances, these were far outweighed by strong team efforts. Spectators were treated to some very exciting cricket, a credit to all of the clubs participating at the business end of the season.

All in all, the season ran smoothly which is a testament to the hard work of the Junior Executive, the clubs coaches and team managers. On behalf of the Junior Committee I would like to thank all of the players and officials for their commitment to our association and our great game.

This past season saw the introduction of a number of sub-committees, which took responsibility for various important activities within the association. This allowed us to spread the workload more efficiently and significantly reduced the amount of time given over to meetings. Particularly pleasing was the effort of the Representative Cricket Sub-Committee, headed by Glenn Wilson and Michael Duke. The retention of some of the coaching/managing personnel and recruiting of new volunteers resulted in another outstanding performance from our carnival teams. Our Under 14s defeated Ferntree Gully in the grand final, reversing the result from the previous year. The Under 16 turf side reached the semi-finals and the Under 16 synthetic team reached the grand final. In addition, the RDCA combined with Box Hill Reporter to field an extra Under 16 side to fill a bye. Whilst not successful in reaching the finals this combined side was certainly competitive and played some entertaining cricket. The second Under 12 side failed to reach the finals for the first time, but they were very competitive, as well.

No doubt the highlight of the carnival was the success of the Under 12 Mitchell Shield squad. Coached by an outstanding young volunteer, Scott Minetti, ably assisted by Russell O'Toole, the young cricketers managed to tie the grand final against City of Moorabbin. This was our first flag in Mitchell Shield since the very first competition in 1984. Congratulations on a great effort. Let's hope this the first of many flags. It should be noted that "Mitchell Shield" has been dominated, in recent years, by City of Moorabbin and North West, who are two very competitive associations. In defeating NWCA in the semi final and managing a tie in the final, the Mitchell Shield squad climbed the mountain.

Congratulations also to the RDCA players who made it into the Dowling Shield and Hatch Shield squads. The Croydon Hatch squad was made up of RDCA players and they had a great win over Balwyn in the final. A special mention to Daniel Coughlan (Boronia), who won the best player award in the competition.

Once again the Junior Executive comprised a group of dedicated volunteers, some with many years experience and some new members. It was a very strong committee and I would like to thank all of those participants. John Springett and Jeff Luscombe are the backbone of the group and put in a huge effort every season. Kevin Dawson has created a very professional operation in establishing training sessions for coaches and umpires and was a lone hand in putting together a most enjoyable Junior Presentation Night. Tony Gawne's expertise was invaluable, as always. New recruits Jane Freeman, Keith Smith, Tim Sweeney and Ian Garvey also made a solid contribution. Glenn Wilson and Michael Duke have already been mentioned. It is to be hoped that next season we will have another strong committee.

We also have to thank some ex-officio members of the committee, whose names rarely appear but provide important back up support. Timothy Court looks after results, Tyson Heinrich takes care of the website and Stuart Minetti assists with fixtures. A special mention for a long term servant, John Higgins, who put together a video of carnival highlights shown at presentation night.

The association received support from a new sponsor, Kelvin Hastie, of Club Meats. Kelvin's donation went a long way towards covering the cost of the representative sides and we are most grateful for the support. A contribution of equipment from Kookaburra Sports has, again, helped significantly.

None of what is achieved, at the junior level, would be possible without the ongoing support of the Board of Management and the Junior Executive thanks them, most sincerely. One of the highlights of presentation night was an address by Steve Pascoe, President of the Board. Steve will be standing down this year, after many years of service and we wish him, and his wife Ann, all the very best for the future. We are confident Steve will not be lost to us forever.

Finally the Committee expresses its sincere appreciation to all of the volunteers involved during the past season and looks forward to an ongoing contribution in the coming season.

Josh Browne.
President.



RDCA Inc. VETERANS CRICKET ASSOCIATION

Season 2004/2005 saw a number of changes to the Veterans Cricket format, particularly in the Legends (over 50's) Competition.

At the 2004 AGM we saw the retirement of some long serving executive members, in particular Brian Gobbi, Alan Duffus and Jeff Luscombe. Special thanks must go to these people for their unstinting service to the Veterans' cricket concept over the previous 16 years. With these retirements came some new appointments and we welcomed Daryl Stephens, Stuart Minetti and Don Simkin to the Executive Committee

Major changes for the season saw the Masters Competition expand back to 4 Divisions with the return to the competition of Wonga Park, after a number of years in recess. In addition to Wonga Park's return, the number of teams entered in the Masters Competition increased to 28. This forced a re-jig of the competition resulting in the expansion back to 4 divisions.

The Legends Competition continued with seven teams on alternate weeks. Although Templeton withdrew from the Competition, Chirnside Park fielded a side for the first time leaving the team numbers the same as 2004.

Changes to the Legend's Competition saw the introduction of a "Grand Finale" round at the conclusion of the season where all teams played another round depending on ladder position, (1 v 2, 3 v 4, 5 v 6). The game between teams 1 & 2 was played for a pennant, thus introducing "finals" into the Legend's Competition for the first time. In addition to the Grand Finale round, the Legends introduced a modified 20/20 format whereby 2 rounds were played on the same day on December 12th. This was necessary to allow the competition to provide 7 games of cricket for the Legends, which was the desired format agreed to at the AGM.

The Four Masters' Divisions and the Legend's Division were as follows:

Masters - Division 1	Masters - Division 2	Masters - Division 3	Masters - Division 4	Legends
Ainslie Park	Boronia	Montrose	Ainslie Park	Ainslie Park
Croydon	Bayswater Park	Mt Evelyn	Bayswater Park	Chirnside Park
Croydon Ranges	Chirnside Park	North Ringwood	Boronia	Croydon/Croydon Ranges
Heathmont	Croydon North	South Croydon	Croydon Ranges	Mt Evelyn
North Ringwood	Eley Park	Wantirna	Mt Evelyn	North Ringwood
Warranwood	Lilydale	Warrandyte	North Ringwood	South Warrandyte
	South Warrandyte		Templeton	Warrandyte
	Wonga Park		Warranwood	



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The season commenced in glorious weather on 17th October with the first round of the Legend's Competition. The Masters followed on 24th October and then the weather conspired against us to wash out round 2 for both the Masters and Legends. After that the remainder of the season was played out with no weather interruptions.

As in past seasons, all Divisions in the Masters' were keenly contested and ladder positions, particularly positions 3, 4, 5 & 6 were not decided until the final round and came down to percentages in Divisions 2 and 4.

The Master's semi finals were played on 20th February with the major surprise being Division 1, where the 2 top sides were beaten in their respective semi's and teams 3 & 4 went through to the Grand Final. In all other divisions, teams 1 & 2 made it through to the Grand Finals.

Masters Grand Final Results played 27th February 2005.

Division 1 – Bill Dean Trophy – played at Quambee Reserve No.1
Warranwood 7/148 defeated Ainslie Park 10/147

Division 2 – Ken Johnston Trophy – played at Wonga Park
Wonga Park 8/191 defeated South Warrandyte Hawks 10/143. Wonga Park went through the season undefeated – a terrific effort in their first year back in the Competition.

Division 3 – played at Warrandyte
Warrandyte 5/128 defeated North Ringwood 5/126

Division 4 – Max Brown Trophy – played at Quambee Reserve No. 2
Ainslie Park 5/179 defeated Warranwood 8/174

At the conclusion of each Grand Final, pennants were presented to the winning teams with the actual trophy presentations being made on the night of the Annual Dinner

Legends “Grand Finale” played 20th February 2005

Although there are no finals for the Legends Competition it was agreed that the Grand Finale play off between teams one and two would be for the title of Premier and the winner would be awarded a premiership pennant.

Result **Mt Evelyn** 5/156 defeated South Warrandyte Hawks 10/105



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Inter association Games

Four inter association games were played this year against the Ferntree Gully Cricket Association and the Box Hill Reporter Association.

Box Hill Reporter Cricket Association played 19th December 2004

Masters Played at Surrey Park: **RDCA** 4/79 defeated BHRDC 10/78
Bowling M Algie 3/16, N Foden 3/5 Batting N Mitchell 40 retired

Legends Played at Mont Albert Reserve: **BHRDC** 5/139 defeated RDCA 6/137
Bowling N Young 1/10 (6 overs), R Hedrick 1/17 (6 overs)
Batting P Rogers 40 retired

Ferntree Gully Cricket Association played 26th January 2005

Masters Played at Bayswater: **RDCA** 9/139 tied with Ferntree Gully 6/139.
Bowling B Williams 1/11, M Algie 0/15 (six Overs)
Batting K Hudson 29, N Foden 29, C Farrington 27 not out

This was a particularly exciting game with the RDCA requiring a six off the last ball to win and Chris Farrington's shot falling only six inches short of the boundary to force a tie

Legends Played at Bayswater: **RDCA** 4/198 defeated Ferntree Gully 7/120
Bowling R Hedrick 2/11, G Seymour 2/8
Batting A Thatcher 40 retired, S Pascoe 42 retired, S Goodman 37

Congratulations should go to those players who gave up their time, particularly the Australia Day weekend, to represent the RDCA in these representative games. I know from first hand experience that all players thoroughly enjoyed the honour of playing representative cricket for the RDCA.

Special thanks should also go to the Selectors (Ken Johnston, Jim Dean and Wayne McCrimmon) and team coordinators for ensuring that the RDCA fielded competitive sides in all games. Thanks also to Ray Dean & Harry Sandford for their scoring contributions.

Veterans Annual Dinner Night

The Presentation Dinner night was held at Bramleigh Receptions. Approximately 90 attended this evening, which was very disappointing from the Executive and the Social sub-committee's perspective.

Unfortunately the lack of, or very late response by Club Coordinators, puts a lot of unnecessary stress and work on the organising sub-committee.

The people who did attend had a great evening, not only catching up with their own Club members and partners, but also the friends they have made over the many years of Veterans competition.

Those Club's that did not attend were billed by the Association for the cost of 2 tickets per Club.



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Player Milestones – RDCA Veterans 100 Game Club.

The 100 Games Club increased from 12 to 16 with a further 4 players playing their 100th Veteran's game throughout the season. The following players were presented with a certificate on reaching this milestone at the Annual Dinner:

Gary Walles
Carl Duncan

Ainslie Park
Mt Evelyn

Keith Houghton
Peter Hawkey

Warranwood
Mt Evelyn

In addition to the 100 Club, more players reached their 50 game milestone and Certificates for this achievement were issued to 4 players from a range of Clubs at the Annual Dinner.

Golden Oldies Tour to Sri Lanka & India in April 2006

The Executive has committed the RDCA Veterans (aka "The Ringwood Possums") to entering a touring team in next year's Golden Oldies Festival to be held in Sri Lanka from 23 – 30 April 2006. At this stage we have a preliminary touring party of approx 26 people.

It is not too late to participate. If anyone is interested please contact Bill Stafford.

Executive Committee Efforts

Finally it would be remiss of me not to thank our hardworking committee for their efforts and commitment throughout the year:

Ken Johnston (Patron & Chairman), Bill Stafford, Jim Dean, Michael Gavin, Carl Duncan, Daryl Stephens, Stuart Minetti and Don Simkin.

Particular thanks should go to Jim Dean for the enormous effort made during the year in trying to keep the results & ladders up to date. The one area of concern to the Executive is the failure of many clubs to uphold their responsibility in submitting team sheets & results after completion of each round. This causes untold trouble in trying to determine the ladders, look at player form when selecting inter-association sides, updating player milestone games (50 games etc), and checking player eligibility for finals.

Perhaps we will have to look at a penalty of some description for Clubs that habitually fail to lodge results.

Additionally many thanks to Marg Stafford for her continued input into the Social sub-committee and for her organisation of the Annual Dinner Night in conjunction with Carl Duncan.

The Veterans Executive continues to look forward with great anticipation that all Veterans cricket continues to be played in a friendly and positive spirit, with the renewing of many old friendships made in our previous cricketing lives.

As stated in last year's report one of the aspirations of the Veterans' Executive is to receive a Veterans team nomination from every RDCA affiliated club. We are not quite there yet but are gradually making inroads

Graeme Seymour
Secretary

RDCA Veterans Motto:
Strive to do our best, never give up, and treat people with respect

FINANCE MANAGER REPORT

It is pleasing to report that the financial result for the 2004/2005 season has improved, from a profit of \$667 the previous season, to a profit of \$3,211 this season.

This profit improvement can be attributed to the RDCA's continued ability to generate significant donation and sponsorship income and also continuing to exercise restraint in incurring expenses on behalf of the RDCA during the season.

Based on negotiations with supporting organizations, we believe that the level of donations and sponsorship will continue next season and this will enable the RDCA to retain the 2004/2005 affiliation fee structures for the 2005/2006 season.

Again, as at the end of the season, several clubs have not totally met their commitments for last season, which means that they will start next season with debts that will impose an additional financial burden on them prior to the start of the coming season.

Finally, let me thank all the clubs for their support during the 2004/2005 season, which has helped make my role easier to fill.

Stuart Newey

STATISTICAL INFORMATION FOR SEASON 2004/05

CHANDLER 1

TEAM (after round)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	PTS	G/F
MOOROOLBARK	12	10	11	8	8	8	7	5	3	6	1	55	1
TEMPLETON	7	6	6	6	5	5	2	2	4	2	2	54	2
KILSYTH	10	5	5	4	3	1	4	3	5	3	3	54	3
EAST RINGWOOD	6	3	3	3	2	4	6	7	6	4	4	54	4
WARRANWOOD	11	11	10	7	6	6	3	4	2	1	5	51	
LILYDALE	3	9	9	9	10	9	9	8	8	7	6	51	
FERNTREE GULLY	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	5	7	46	
WANTIRNA SOUTH	8	12	12	12	9	10	10	9	10	9	8	35	
WONGA PARK	4	2	2	2	4	3	5	6	7	8	9	35	
SOUTH WARRANDYTE	9	4	4	5	7	7	8	10	9	10	10	27	
AINSLIE PARK	1	8	7	10	12	11	11	11	12	12	11	27	
CROYDON NORTH	5	7	8	11	11	12	12	12	11	11	12	27	

At the lower end of the scale five teams were involved in an intense struggle, after the Christmas break, to avoid the relegation spot. The last round results determined that Croydon North would return to Wilkins next season, however, the subsequent departure of Ferntree Gully from the RDCA has resulted in a reprieve. The battle for a spot in the four was very tight with seven teams being in contention right up until the last round. Ferntree Gully, which had led for most of the season, lost its last two games and slumped to seventh. Warranwood, after a slow start, worked its way to the top only to lose the last game and drop to fifth. Mooroolbark, which also started slowly, found its way into the four in round nine. A loss in the next game saw it slide to sixth before a surprising outright in the last game elevated it to top position. As can be seen Templeton, Kilsyth and East Ringwood were amongst the leaders for most of the season and they were the other finals participants. In the semi-finals, reduced to one-day games by the weather, East Ringwood departed at the hands of Kilsyth and Mooroolbark progressed direct to Grand Final by overcoming Templeton. In the Preliminary Final, Kilsyth did well but Templeton was better and it gave that club an opportunity to repeat the previous season's success. In a game of fluctuating fortunes, Mooroolbark eventually set a challenging target (176), which seemed a forlorn task for much of the Templeton innings. A late order partnership threatened to snatch the game but the Mooroolbark players held their nerve and ran out winners by 17 runs.

Members of the winning team were: Brendan Ricci ©, Brad Guan, John Kilby, Lincoln Grigg, Ken Trollope, Richard Ellidson, Bryn Jones, Chris Young, Travis Jackson, Mark Ross, Bryn Griffiths and Justin Uilderks (12th)

WILKINS 1

TEAM (after round)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14 PTS	G/F
NORTH RINGWOOD	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	3	4	3	5	4	4	2 67	1
ST ANDREWS	2	4	6	3	3	2	4	2	1	2	2	3	2	4 59	2
WARRANTYTE	1	1	2	5	5	4	3	1	2	4	3	1	1	1 79	3
SOUTH CROYDON	4	2	4	7	7	5	6	5	3	1	1	2	5	3 67	4
MONTROSE	6	6	7	4	4	3	2	4	6	7	6	5	3	5 59	
NORWOOD	7	5	3	6	6	7	5	6	5	5	4	6	6	6 43	
BAYSWATER PARK	5	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	6	7	7	7	7 43	
CROYDON RANGES	8	8	5	2	2	6	7	7	8	8	8	8	8	8 31	

Croydon Ranges, after some early success, found wins hard to come by and with a few rounds remaining were resigned to returning to Newey next season. (With no club dropping from Chandler, The Ranges boys have been reprieved and will retain a place in this grade in the coming season). Warrantyte, after being in the four for all bar a couple of rounds, entered the finals as the team to beat. The last round saw St Andrews, Montrose, North Ringwood and South Croydon vying for the remaining three places and it was possible for any of them to miss out. The latter, in the hot seat, won through and, in losing, Montrose dropped out. South was the first to go, at the hands of St Andrews. North Ringwood accounted for Warrantyte who were then bundled out in the Preliminary to end a disappointing finals campaign. The Grand Final saw North Ringwood (177) hold the ascendancy for much of the game but, again, a late order stand saw the tide turn in St Andrews favour. The bowling efforts of a couple of seasoned campaigners saw North home by 22 runs and the club will return to Chandler next season for the first time in eight years.

Members of the winning team were: Ian Donaldson ©, Gareth Taylor, Stuart Moore, Simon Gray, Paul Cornell, Michael Bellizia, Brian Ianson, Tim Rule, David Beagley, Hagen Shaw, Roger Leahy, Matthew Bellizia, Leigh Rigby and Chris Harms (coach).

NEWY 1

TEAM (after round)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14 PTS	G/F	
CHIRNSIDE PARK	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	95	1
OLINDA	6	6	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	2	2	75	2
MOOROOLBARK	7	7	7	4	5	3	3	5	4	4	4	4	5	4	71	3
SCORESBY FERNDALE	5	5	5	7	7	5	4	4	3	2	2	2	3	3	75	4
EASTFIELD	1	3	4	5	4	6	6	6	6	6	5	5	4	5	71	
WANTIRNA	4	2	2	2	2	4	5	3	5	5	6	6	6	6	43	
BORONIA	3	4	6	6	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	19	

Disappointingly, this grade was reduced, at the last minute, to seven teams, which resulted in each club having two byes during the season. Boronia struggled for most of the season and Wantirna, who started in positive fashion and held a place in the four until midway, fell away in later part to be well out of contention. Chirnside Park was the dominant side and, for the most part, Olinda, Scoresby Ferndale and Mooroolbark occupied the remaining places in the four with Eastfield snapping at their heels. Entering the last round, Eastfield, which had displaced Mooroolbark following an outright, had the “bye” and had to sit and hope. Scoresby Ferndale, third, needed to win against Chirnside to retain its spot and Mooroolbark had to win well, preferably outright, to get back in the picture. The results did fall their way and Eastfield was left to lament missing finals by 0.01 percent. Scoresby Ferndale exited in the semi’s and Chirnside earned a weekend off by edging Olinda in a tight one. Olinda was then too good for Mooroolbark, despite a bit of a scare. Batting first in the Grand Final, Olinda put together a formidable score (291) that was going to challenge the favourites. Chirnside Park commenced the chase in sparkling fashion but Olinda bounced back to seemingly have the game in its grasp. In yet another rearguard action, the tail refused to give in and a fabulous victory (9/295) was achieved in the last over and Chirnside return to Wilkins for season 05/06.

Members of the winning team were: Kevin Newman (cc), Paul Bennett, Senaka Dissanayake, James Bennett, David Green, Matthew Cousins, Matthew Thewlis, Adam Best, Mark Steiner, Rob Clarke, Rob Waghorn and Bernie Wright.

CHANDLER RESERVES

TEAM (after round)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	PTS	G/F
TEMPLETON	6	4	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	77	1
AINSLIE PARK	8	6	5	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	63	2
WONGA PARK	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	4	5	3	3	55	3
LILYDALE	9	5	6	7	6	4	6	5	7	7	4	55	4
MOOROOLBARK	5	2	3	4	5	7	5	3	3	4	5	55	
WANTIRNA SOUTH	3	7	7	6	7	6	8	8	6	6	6	43	
KILSYTH	4	3	2	5	4	5	4	7	4	5	7	43	
WARRANWOOD	2	8	8	9	8	8	7	6	8	8	8	43	
FERNTREE GULLY	11	11	11	12	12	12	12	12	10	11	9	27	
SOUTH WARRANDYTE	12	12	12	10	9	11	10	10	11	12	10	27	
CROYDON NORTH	10	10	10	8	10	9	11	11	12	9	11	27	
EAST RINGWOOD	7	9	9	11	11	10	9	9	9	10	12	21	

Templeton, as shown above, led the ladder for a large part of the season with Ainslie Park the main challenger. Wonga Park was always amongst the leaders whilst Lilydale came with a late run to complete the finalists. Ainslie Park won through to the Grand Final whilst Wonga Park, which had beaten Lilydale, was unable to match it with Templeton in the Preliminary final. Templeton (9/198) then kept up the good work to reverse the Qualifying final result, by dismissing Ainslie Park for 111 and take the flag by a very convincing margin.

Members of the winning team were: Brett Gibb ©, Stuart Simpson, Paul Taylor, Jason Denton, Sam Bates, Scott Anderson, Andrew Teakel, Matthew Fisher, Andrew Harry, Adam Parker, Glen Morrison, Matthew Halbert and Carrick Fitzgerald.

WILKINS RESERVES

TEAM (after round)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	PTS	G/F
NORWOOD	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	86	1
WARRANDYTE	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	6	6	4	4	3	59	2
NORTH RINGWOOD	8	6	4	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	83	3
ST ANDREWS	4	3	2	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	4	54	4
MONTROSE	1	4	6	4	4	3	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	51	
BAYSWATER PARK	5	7	7	7	7	7	5	5	5	5	5	6	5	6	46	
CROYDON RANGES	2	5	3	5	5	5	6	6	6	8	8	7	7	7	35	
SOUTH CROYDON	3	2	5	6	6	6	7	7	8	7	7	8	8	8	26	

Norwood probably would have led the ladder for the whole season had it been able to play first round (ground unplayable) but for the most part it was hotly pressed by North Ringwood. Warrandyte, which had been second last at the break, produced some excellent late season form to work through to third. Montrose, which had been thereabouts, stumbled at the last hurdle and lost its place to St Andrews who pulled off a last round outright. Norwood won directly through to Grand Final and Warrandyte continued its good run by defeating St Andrews and then eliminating North Ringwood in the Preliminary final. In the Grand Final, Warrandyte (170) was unable to match the target set (9/235) and Norwood recorded a fairly easy victory.

Members of the winning team were: Peter Young ©, Phil Coats, Gavin Bent, Neil Eastman, Chris Irvine, David Irvine, Toby Weatherby, Micheal Helman, Mark Lucas, Adrian Bruschi, Mark Glassborrow, Glen Martin and Peter Houchin.

NEWY RESERVES

TEAM (after round)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14 PTS	G/F	
CHIRNSIDE PARK	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	115	1
SCORESBY FERNDALE	7	4	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	87	2
MOOROOLBARK	2	2	5	6	6	4	4	4	5	6	6	4	3	3	63	3
OLINDA	5	7	6	4	4	5	6	5	4	4	4	5	5	4	58	4
BORONIA	1	1	4	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	5	54	
EASTFIELD	6	6	7	7	7	7	5	6	6	7	7	7	6	6	43	
WANTIRNA	4	5	3	5	5	6	7	7	7	5	5	5	7	7	35	

Chirnside Park was the dominant side all season with Scoresby Ferndale appearing to be the only challenger. Mooroolbark came through at the end for third, whilst Boronia, which had been among the leaders all season, fell away when it counted and exited in the last round to be replaced by Olinda. In the Semi-finals, Chirnside Park won easily as did Mooroolbark but Scoresby Ferndale then bounced back to earn a Grand Final spot. Whilst Scoresby Ferndale (98) did much better than in the qualifying final, Chirnside Park (140) won comfortably thus completing the season undefeated.

Members of the winning team were: Steve Paul ©, Magnus Vaisnys, Joseph Johnson, Adam Merrett, David Buchmasser, Tom Wall, Stewart Lane, Ashley Parsons, Mark Williams, Luke Mitchell, Whiteman Savage and Shaun Dennehy.

A GRADE

TEAM (after round)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14 PTS	G/F	
KILSYTH	6	4	3	1	1	2	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	118.5	1
TEMPLETON	5	3	5	4	4	3	4	4	3	3	3	2	2	1	127.2	2
EAST RINGWOOD	3	2	1	3	3	4	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	123.3	3
WONGA PARK	2	5	4	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	3	119.9	4
WANTIRNA SOUTH	1	1	2	5	5	5	5	5	6	6	5	5	5	5	72.6	
CROYDON NORTH	8	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	6	64.3	
AINSLIE PARK	4	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	5	5	6	6	6	7	61.9	
LILYDALE	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	49.4	

A grade of two halves where the finalists, Templeton, East Ringwood, Wonga park and Kilsyth established a clear break on the other teams fairly early in the season. Kilsyth ended Wonga Park's aspirations and the Templeton batting carried the day over East Ringwood. The latter was left to lament as it lost narrowly to Kilsyth in the Preliminary final. In the Grand Final, the vaunted Templeton batting faltered in the chase (129) and Kilsyth (160) ran out reasonably comfortable winners.

Members of the winning team were: Mark Rollings ©, Shaun Goodwin, Ben Nicoll, Frank Formston, Wes Carroll, James Gordon, Wayne De Vries, Matthew Newman, Stewart Gibb, Matthew Burgess, Tom Fawthorpe and Brad Milbourne.

B GRADE

TEAM (after round)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14 PTS	G/F
WONGA PARK	2	2	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 138.6	1
WARRANWOOD	6	5	6	5	5	5	5	4	3	3	4	4	3	3 115.2	2
BAYSWATER PARK	3	4	4	3	3	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	3	3 117.0	3
NORWOOD	1	1	3	4	4	4	3	2	4	4	3	3	4	4 99.0	4
MONTROSE	7	6	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	5	5 83.2	
KNOX CITY	5	3	2	2	2	1	4	5	5	5	5	5	6	6 72.0	
ST ANDREWS	4	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	7 51.4	
FERNTREE GULLY	8	8	5	6	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	8 51.3	

As can be seen, the finalists, Wonga Park (which was a clear leader), Bayswater Park, Warranwood and Norwood, occupied positions in the four for most of the season. Norwood was eliminated when easily eclipsed by Warranwood. Wonga Park was too good for Bayswater Park, who then exited at the hands of Warranwood. In the Grand Final, Wonga Park (243) recorded a comfortable victory as it dismissed, a chasing, Warranwood for 186.

Members of the winning team were: Paul Doevelaar ©, Garry Harwood, Ron Fotia, Peter Buceto, Shane Larmour, Shawn Everitt, John Schlueter, Greg Ford, Nathan Jellett, Andrew Jones, Greg Hassan and Nick Hodges.

C GRADE

TEAM (after round)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14 PTS	G/F
TEMPLETON	1	4	4	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 133.5	1
WONGA PARK	8	5	6	5	5	4	4	4	3	3	2	3	3	3 117.2	2
EAST RINGWOOD	7	8	8	7	7	6	6	6	5	5	4	2	2	2 118.8	3
NORTH RINGWOOD	4	3	1	1	1	2	2	3	2	2	3	4	4	4 111.0	4
AINSLIE PARK	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	2	4	4	5	6	6	5 84.4	
WARRANWOOD	5	6	5	6	6	7	7	5	6	6	6	5	5	6 84.0	
WANTIRNA SOUTH	3	1	3	4	4	5	5	7	7	7	7	7	7	7 80.3	
SOUTH CROYDON	6	7	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8 38.3	

Templeton completed the season well clear on top and entered the finals as the team to beat. East Ringwood had worked its way through to second spot, whilst Wonga Park and North Ringwood had been thereabouts for most of the season. North Ringwood departed at the hands of Wonga Park and Templeton won a tight one to progress to the Grand Final. East Ringwood was ousted by Wonga Park who then came up agonizingly short (147) in the Grand Final as they pursued the Templeton score of 152.

Members of the winning team were: Brett Keys ©, Ryan Ward, Greg Ryan, Brad Letson, Terry Brauns, Ben Camfield, Leigh Boyle, Matthew Groat, Barry Mealings, Adam Short, Kevin Moore, Tyson McCamley, Matthew Brookman and Brad Knights.

D GRADE

TEAM (after round)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14PTS	G/F
CROYDON RANGES	3	4	4	5	5	3	6	5	3	3	2	2	3	3 111.5	1
CROYDON NORTH	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2 116.3	2
WARRANTYTE	2	1	3	2	2	4	2	2	2	2	3	3	2	1 116.5	3
SOUTH WARRANTYTE	1	3	2	4	4	5	4	4	5	5	5	5	4	4 103.3	4
KILSYTH	8	6	5	3	3	2	3	3	4	4	4	4	5	5 97.5	
MOOROOLBARK	6	8	7	6	6	6	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	6 83.1	
NORTH RINGWOOD	7	5	6	7	7	7	7	7	8	8	8	8	7	7 51.1	
NORWOOD	5	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	7	7	7	8	8 46.8	

This was a grade where essentially only five teams were in the running from early in the piece. Croydon North and Warrantyte were the leaders for most of the season whilst Croydon Ranges, South Warrantyte and Kilsyth seemingly exchanged positions on a game by game basis. Kilsyth eventually came up short and South Warrantyte gained a position with some good late season form. Both semi-finals were closely fought with Ranges ousting South Warrantyte and Croydon North progressing direct to Grand Final. Croydon Ranges managed to protect a low score against Warrantyte to challenge for the flag. In another low scoring Grand Final, Croydon Ranges (8/109) just carried the day, in an action packed conclusion, to the pursuit of Croydon North's tally of 104.

Members of the winning team were: Ed Malin ©, Trevor Nanscawen, Allan Double, Kevin Double, Ryan Cross, Chris Whitaker, Ivan Chepa, John Brewster, Blake Plowman, Tristan Richardson, Callum Richardson, Brendan Stokes and Brett Haines.

E GRADE

TEAM (after round)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14 PTS	G/F
CROYDON RANGES	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2 123.8	1
CHIRNSIDE PARK	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1 125.0	2
LILYDALE	3	4	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4 104.3	3
TEMPLETON	1	3	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3 115.8	4
BAYSWATER PARK	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	6	5	5	6	6	6	5 84.2	
MONTROSE	8	6	7	8	8	6	6	5	6	6	5	5	5	6 78.2	
WANTIRNA SOUTH	7	8	8	6	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	8	7	7 66.6	
FERNTREE GULLY	6	7	6	7	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8 45.8	

Chirnside Park, which had been promoted from "F" grade after two rounds, led the ladder from that point with Croydon Ranges snapping at their heels. Templeton and Lilydale were entrenched in positions in the four, from about mid-season. Lilydale prevailed in a tight Elimination final and Chirnside Park easily dispensed with Croydon Ranges who then bounced back to narrowly account for Lilydale and earn a Grand Final spot. That game turned out to be a complete reversal of the Qualifying final as Croydon Ranges (2/76), chasing 70, claimed the flag early on second day.

Members of the winning team were: Adam Hastings ©, Bill Stafford, Paul Jolley, Daniel Meehan, Paul Montabello, Finny George, Ross Macauley, Rob Haines, Mark Plucinski, Ryan Mawdsley, Richard Bowyer, Matthew Brook and Warwick Baker.

F GRADE

TEAM (after round)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	PTS	G/F
CHIRNSIDE PARK	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	112.4	1
CROYDON RANGES	1	5	2	2	2	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	114.3	2
WANTIRNA SOUTH	4	3	6	4	4	7	8	7	4	4	4	5	6	4	91.9	3
SCORESBY FERNDALE	3	4	3	3	3	5	6	8	5	5	7	6	4	3	93.2	4
WONGA PARK	5	7	7	6	6	6	7	5	7	7	5	4	3	5	91.1	
ST ANDREWS	6	8	8	8	8	3	3	4	6	6	6	7	7	6	85.4	
WARRANWOOD	7	2	5	7	7	8	5	3	3	3	3	3	5	7	83.1	
AINSLIE PARK	8	6	4	5	5	2	4	6	8	8	8	8	8	8	63.6	

Chirnside Park, who had been promoted from “I” grade after 2 rounds, led the ladder until the last round when overtaken by Croydon Ranges. All, bar one, of the other teams were vying for the remaining spots come the last round. Scoresby Ferndale cemented its place whilst Wonga Park lost by one run to drop out and Wantirna South jumped from 6th to 4th. Wantirna South prevailed in a very low scoring semi and Chirnside successfully chased a good score to progress to Grand Final. Ranges got another chance at the flag with a very narrow Preliminary win but then struggled with the bat (76) as Chirnside Park (6/79) again prevailed in a Grand Final where runs were hard to come by.

Members of the winning team were: Glenn Oliver ©, Shaun Monck, Ray Bartoli, Mal Grift, Simon O’Donnell, Darren Cameron, Richard Fox, Brad Malbon, Glenn Haley, Peter Buchmasser, Marcus Bayer, Shaun Clohesy and Brett Wheeler.

G GRADE

TEAM (after round)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	PTS	G/F
OLINDA	5	6	5	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	137.9	1
SOUTH WARRANDYTE	6	7	8	8	8	8	8	7	7	7	3	5	5	4	91.0	2
CROYDON NORTH	3	2	2	4	4	2	3	6	5	5	4	3	3	2	101.0	3
NORTH RINGWOOD	2	1	1	1	1	3	6	4	2	2	2	2	2	3	91.9	4
TEMPLETON	8	5	4	6	6	5	2	3	4	4	6	4	4	5	90.3	
EAST RINGWOOD	4	3	6	7	7	6	7	8	6	6	8	8	7	6	73.8	
WARRANWOOD	7	8	7	5	5	7	5	2	3	3	5	6	6	7	72.6	
MOOROOLBARK	1	4	3	2	2	4	4	5	8	8	7	7	8	8	69.5	

Olinda was the dominant team, losing only one home and away game. Croydon North and North Ringwood were always amongst the leaders, whilst South Warrandyte came from well down the ladder at the break to edge Templeton out of the four in the last round. South Warrandyte kept the good form going in the finals to progress to the Grand Final but chasing Olinda’s 258 it could only manage 170 and Olinda proved it was clearly the best team in the grade.

Members of the winning team were: Peter Dean ©, Glen Taylor, Craig Jennings, Rod Bartlett, Richard Arnott, Adam Gawronski, Luke Kane, Paul Cornelius, Tom Rendell, Jake Murphy, Glen Hardham and Dominic Woodfield.

H GRADE

TEAM (after round)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	PTS	G/F
MONTROSE	1	2	2	3	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	115.3	1
WARRANTYTE	7	4	3	2	2	1	33	3	3	2	2	1	1	1	121.4	2
KNOX CITY	6	7	4	5	5	7	7	6	5	5	4	6	5	4	96.8	3
BAYSWATER PARK	3	5	6	7	7	6	5	4	4	4	5	4	6	3	97.5	4
CROYDON RANGES	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	2	3	3	4	5	92.5	
NORWOOD	4	6	7	6	6	5	4	5	6	6	6	5	3	6	92.3	
KILSYTH	5	3	5	4	4	4	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	79.2	
SOUTH CROYDON	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	31.2	

Six teams were in contention right up until the last round, where losses by Norwood and Croydon Ranges saw them replaced in the four by Bayswater Park and Knox City. Warrantyte and Montrose had been clear leaders for the latter part of the season and were the form sides going in to the finals. Warrantyte won the Qualifying final and Knox City won through to the Preliminary but were no match for Montrose who then turned the tables (8/171) on Warrantyte (153) in a close fought Grand Final.

Members of the winning team were: Dave Clarkson ©, John McCormack, Dom Panetta, Gary Ford, Arthur Christou, Peter Yates, Troy Marshall, Damian Ford, Ben Grey, Adrian Clarkson, Matthew Tuddin, and Matthew Holland.

I GRADE

TEAM (after round)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	PTS	G/F
WANTIRNA			1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	110.5	1
CROYDON NORTH			5	6	6	6	6	5	4	4	4	5	4	3	81.6	2
MOOROOLBARK			2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	101.1	3
WARRANTYTE			6	5	5	5	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	80.0	4
OLINDA			4	4	4	4	3	4	5	5	5	4	5	5	66.3	
WARRANWOOD			3	3	3	3	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	45.4	

This grade started with eight teams but by Round 3 it was back to six, with only four of the originals remaining. Wantirna and Mooroolbark finished well ahead, Warrantyte, after a late start, worked its way through and Croydon North cemented a finals place with a last round win. Croydon North did well to defeat Warrantyte and Mooroolbark but they were no match (112) for a dominant Wantirna (256) in the Grand Final.

Members of the winning team were: Adrian Willoughby ©, Tim Hutchison, Ken Fletcher, James Willoughby, Mike Hutchison, Fred Ranjit, Alan McLaughlin, Robin Van Exan, Ed Mitros, Glen O'Brien, Steve Haack, Rick Webb and Rob Carlton (Team manager).

PREMIERSHIPS WON (ALL GRADES) from 1966/67 – 2004/05

Wonga Park	30	(4)	Chirnside Park	8	(4)
Mooroolbark	25	(8)	Boronia	8	(0)
East Ringwood	25	(5)	Ferntree Gully	7	(3)
Croydon North	21	(9)	South Croydon	6	(2)
Wantirna South	20	(1)	Scoresby Ferndale	6	(1)
Ainslie Park	18	(2)	Eastfield	5	(2)
Croydon Ranges	19*	(4)	Knox City	5	(2)
Templeton	19	(3)	Aquinas Old Collegians	3	(3)
Kilsyth	18	(1)	Croydon	3	(0)
St Andrews	17	(4)	Olinda	2	(1)
Montrose	16	(4)	Knox Churches	1	(1)
North Ringwood	13	(5)			
Warranwood	13*	(4)			
Norwood	13	(2)			
Warrandyte	11	(3)			
Lilydale	11	(2)			
Bayswater Park	11	(1)			
Wantirna	10	(2)			
South Warrandyte	9	(4)			

Figures in brackets are premierships won by first eleven teams.

- Croydon Ranges totals include premierships won by Croydon United and Croydon Hockeyers.
- Warranwood totals include premierships won by South Ringwood and Parkwood

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

The calculation is based on wins per team (all grades included) with various points ratios for the grades. Whilst all clubs are included, it is difficult to win Club Championship unless a club has at least 4 teams. Essentially, the bulk of the points are earned through teams from Chandler through to D grade.

WINNER 2004/05	Wonga Park	27.589
followed by	Templeton	27.130
	Mooroolbark	23.219
	Warranwood	20.413

BEST and FAIREST AWARDS (Decided on umpires votes)

Bill Dean Medal - Chandler 1	Jason Disney	(Templeton)
Steve Pascoe Medal – Wilkins Cup	Greg Moorhouse	(St Andrews)
Stuart Newey Medal – Newey Plate	Craig O’Brien	(Scoresby Ferndale)

MAJOR GRADE PREMIERS 1981/82 – 2004/05

YEAR	CHANDLER 1	WILKINS	NEWY
81/82	Warrandyte	South Croydon	Bayswater Park
82/83	Croydon United	South Ringwood	Scoresby
83/84	Warrandyte	Ainslie Park	Sth Warrandyte
84/85	East Ringwood	Mt Evelyn	Johnson Park
85/86	Mooroolbark	Scoresby	Academy
86/87	Mooroolbark	Montrose	Templeton
87/88	Croydon North	Parkwood	Eastfield
88/89	St Andrews	South Croydon	Knox Gardens
89/90	Croydon North	Croydon United	Westwood
90/91	Croydon North	Wonga Park	Knox City
91/92	Croydon North	Wantirna South	Glen Park
92/93	Mooroolbark	Montrose	Chirnside Park
93/94	Ainslie Park	Kilsyth (A East)	Ferntree Gully(A West)
94/95	Croydon North	St Andrews	Aquinas
95/96	Ferntree Gully	North Ringwood	Knox City
96/97	Croydon North	South Ringwood	N/A
97/98	Croydon North	Templeton	East Ringwood
98/99	Ferntree Gully	Lilydale	East Ringwood
99/00	Ainslie Park	Montrose	Olinda
00/01	Ferntree Gully	East Ringwood	Eastfield
01/02	Mooroolbark	South Croydon	Sth Warrandyte Hawks
02/03	Lilydale	Sth Warrandyte Hawks	Chirnside Park
03/04	Templeton	Croydon North	Croydon Ranges
04/05	Mooroolbark	North Ringwood	Chirnside Park

JUNIOR PREMIERSHIPS 2004/05

	UNDER 17	UNDER 16	UNDER 14	UNDER 12
1	Croydon Ranges	Croydon North	Croydon	East Ringwood
2		North Ringwood	Ainslie Park	Croydon North
3		Bayswater Park	Norwood	Ringwood
4		Wantirna Sth/Templeton	Kilsyth	Warrandyte
5				Croydon Ranges

VETERANS PREMIERSHIPS 2004/05

MASTERS SECTION 1	SECTION 2	SECTION 3	SECTION 4
Warranwood	Wonga Park	Warrandyte	Ainslie Park

LEGENDS

Mt Evelyn

REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES

SENIORS

Played Box Hill Reporter at Templestowe (Team selected from Chandler players)

C. Parker (c) Box Hill batted and were soon in trouble with loss of three early wickets. There was a
L. Skelton minor recovery before more wickets fell to see the score at 6/75 by the mid point of
R. Arbuckle the innings. Some good late order contributions built the score to a competitive 8/191
A. Wu from the 45 overs.
S. Garrett Cam Parker took 2/15 and Butters, Garrett, Murray, McKay and Young grabbed one
P. Murray apiece.
C. Young
M. Butters Wu (39) and Skelton (29) got the chase off to an excellent start with a partnership of
R. Coutts seventy odd before the loss of three quick wickets. Arbuckle (36, with four 4's and two
D. Carratelli 6's) got things back on track and about thirty were required from last 5 overs with 3
D. McKay wickets in hand. Parker (31) made short work of that as he and Young got the scores
M. Black level and the winning runs (8/193) were achieved with a couple of overs to spare.

Played Box Hill Reporter at Templestowe (Team selected from Wilkins Cup and Newey Plate players)

G. Moorhouse © The Box Hill openers took 44 from first 5 overs, but Hagen Shaw (3/24), Cornell
D. Paisley (2/28) and Thewlis (2/26) reigned in the run rate and the score stood at 7/140 with
P. Cornell 10 overs to go. A dropped catch proved costly, as some big hitting saw Box Hill's
M. Harvey score to 216 all out in 44th over.
M. Garthwaite
M. Edwards Moorhouse and Paisley started well, with near fifty, but once the opening stand was
G. Spencer broken the middle order fell away to the point of being 7/95. O'Brien and Edwards
M. Peisley added a quick-fire fifty and, after O'Brien's dismissal, Edwards hit a number of 6's.
M. Thewlis When he was dismissed for 42, the innings was wrapped up quickly for a total of
C. O'Brien 170 in 33rd over.
R. Yasalal
H. Shaw

TEAM (U,25's)

Played Victorian Turf Cricket Association

M. Parker © VTCA batted first and the bowlers did a good job in getting them all out for 136.
S. Varone Figures were: Gibson 4/20, Sazenis 2/31, Greer 1/3, Dunk 1/4, Grumont 1/24 and
J. Grumont B. Jones 1/21.
M. Stephens
S. Dunk As has been the case over recent games against the VTCA, the batsmen again
B. Greer struggled to accumulate runs and the side was all out for 59.
H. Cunningham
B. Jones
C. Holland
M. Sazenis
J. Gibson
A. Jones
M. Addison

UNDER 21's SQUAD

Participated in VMCU Neil Wright Shield competition

M. Teofilo ©	M.Edwards	M.Adams	D. Hill	L. Selkrig
J. Barrett	S. Lindsay	D. Beagley	M.Keogh	G. James
B. Lannen	J. Dawson	D. Sullivan	K. Jones	D. Clark
J. Cunningham	C. Mawdsley	W. Duke		

RESULTS

Rd.1 RDCA, after a steady start, was reduced to 7/87 before Barrett (excellent 52) was joined by Keogh (21) and they boosted the score to 149 all-out. Good early partnerships saw Box Hill achieve the target (5/153) with 4 overs to spare. Adams, Lindsay, James and Keogh each claimed a wicket.

Rd.2 After being sent in, City of Moorabbin compiled 6/200 from allotted 45 overs. Mawdsley (2/17) was the pick of the bowlers. Edwards (44), Sullivan (28) and Teofilo (19) were the leading run getters but the target was too big a challenge. A last wicket stand of 34 (Mawdsley/Lannen) saw the tally to a respectable 9/163.

Rd 3 Washout

Our congratulations to Mark Teofilo who was selected in the VMCU representative team that played against, and defeated, a Victorian Country Cricket League team. Mark excelled behind the stumps with 3 catches.

UNDER 18's

SQUAD

L. Selkrig ©	J. Barrett ©	J. Cunningham	M. Ott
A. Gellatly	B. Stow	C. Doubleday	R. Williams
D. Beagley	L. Rigby	D. London	B. Sansom
D. Johnson	C. Moorhouse	C. Sweeney	J. Cleaves

RDCA 10/136 (C. Moorhouse 51, J. Cunningham 21, L. Selkrig 18 and D. London 10no)

lost to

BOX HILL REPORTER 1/140

RDCA 8/178 (B. Sansom 37no, J. Cleaves 36, M. Ott 33, A. Gellatly 25)

lost to

VTCA 6/181 (R. Williams 2/16, J. Cleaves 2/29, L. Rigby 1/27 and M. Ott 1/48)

CHARITY MATCH (TSUNAMI APPEAL)
RDCA (SELECT TEAM) v RINGWOOD RAMS (FIRSTS SELECT)
20/20 game played at Jubilee Park on Wednesday 23 February 2005

In magnificent conditions for both players and spectators alike, an RDCA twelve took on what was a Ringwood Rams team from recent premier rounds, with the addition of David Saker as skipper.

Not sure who won the toss but Ringwood batted first and RDCA enjoyed almost instant success with the run-out of Michael Christie in the first over. Mark Butters was bowling very tidily and when Cam Parker picked up the wicket of Kevin O'Donnell in the 4th over it was 2/9. Tom Stray, who started in a very confident manner, was the only early batsman to keep the score ticking and when he lost Sean Flynn as a partner it was 3/35. Enter Matt Gale as the support act for Stray who was treating the crowd to a magnificent batting display, including some unbelievably inventive shots (crouching to reasonably pitched up deliveries and scooping them 50-60 metres over his and the wicketkeepers head for a number of fours and a six). From a sedate opening, the run rate fairly rocketed as these two smashed the RDCA bowlers to all parts of the ground. Gale was eventually caught (juggled) in the deep for 37 (three 6's) and Stray fell to a good outfield catch, shortly after reaching a fantastic century, which included nine 4's and four 6's and absorbed only 60 odd deliveries. Saker made a bit of a cameo and Ben Osborne finished the mauling with a couple over the boundary in the last over. Ranga Yasalal picked up three late wickets in his couple of overs. 6/194 made it a very tall order for the RDCA boys to overcome.

The RDCA innings started in much the same fashion as Ringwood's with Andy Wu run-out (going for two) early on. Wickets fell regularly thereafter with Gale snaring Ranga Yasalal and Andrew Downs in consecutive deliveries, the latter to a great diving catch by Josh Rudolph in the slips. When Jason Disney fell soon after, the RDCA had slumped to 6/40 from 8 or so overs. Mark Unternahrer adopted a very attacking approach from the outset as he and Chad Rogers added about thirty. Cam Parker (38 with four 6's) kept the ball rolling as he and Unternahrer (57 with four 6's and five 4's) added a sparkling 75 to add some respectability to the RDCA score. Both were dismissed in the last couple of overs and the innings was closed with the score 9/152.

Man of the match for Ringwood Rams was naturally Tom Stray and for the RDCA it went to Cameron Parker, because Mark Unternahrer can help himself to a pair of batting gloves any time he likes. About six or seven spectators who managed to catch the ball after it sailed over the boundary line were beneficiaries of a pair of batting gloves from HUNTS (Regent Sporting Goods), Mr.Unternahrer's employer, and we thank them for the donation and he for his big hitting.

Other sponsors, who we thank for their contributions to the event, were: Kookaburra Sport, Penguin Books (Ann Pascoe), AGS Prints, Bakers Delight Heathmont, Blue Glen Meats (Kilsyth), Manhattan Hotel, Montana Confectionery and Topline Sports.

All in all it was a very successful event, a good deal of money was raised, and we thank the five hundred or so spectators who were in attendance.

Thanks also to the Ringwood members (Committee and players) together with those on the RDCA executive for their organization and efforts on the night.

And finally, thank you to the players and the umpires, Graeme Lloyd and Martien Pruyers.

SCORECARD

Ringwood innings

M. Christie	run out	0
K. O'Donnell	c Rogers b Parker	3
T.Stray	c Downs b Yasalal	101
S. Flynn	c Rogers b Disney	4
M.Gale	c Disney b Yasalal	37
B. Osborne	not out	21
D. Saker	b Yasalal	11
J. Rudolph	not out	8
J. Biggins		
D. King		
M. King		
G. Motschall		
Extras		11
Total		6/194

Bowling: Butters 3-0/11, Parker 3-1/19, McKay 3-0/19, Disney 3-1/29, Downs 2-0/31, Young 1-0/25, Rogers 3-0/33 and Yasalal 2-3/24.

RDCA innings

A. Wu	run out	5
R.Coutts	c D.King b Saker	3
R.Aruckle	b Rudolph	7
R.Yasalal	c Biggins b Gale	14
J. Disney	c Stray b Rudolph	2
A. Downs	c Rudolph b Gale	0
M.Unternahrer	b M.King	57
C. Rogers	c O'Donnell b D.King	12
C. Parker	c Rudolph b Osborne	38
C. Young	not out	1
D. McKay	not out	0
M Butters		
Extras		13
Total		9/152

Bowling: Gale 4-2/30, Saker 2-1/9, Rudolph 4-2/23, D.King 2-1/8, Motschall 1-0/11, M.King 3-1/26, Stray 2-0/25, and Osborne 2-1/18

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

BATTING

Chandler 1	Kevin Drennan	Kilsyth	46.47
Chandler Reserve	Jason Taylor	Kilsyth	44.80
Wilkins 1	Gareth Taylor	North Ringwood	51.29
Wilkins Reserve	Matthew Bell	Croydon Ranges	36.88
Newey 1	Ranga Yasalal	Olinda	51.43
Newey Reserve	Adam Merrett	Chirnside Park	91.50
A Grade	Barry Dawson	East Ringwood	51.40
B Grade	Ron Fotia	Wonga Park	66.38
C Grade	Rob Ruffle	Warranwood	55.33
D Grade	Richard Cutler	South Warrandyte	104.00
E Grade	Bill Stafford	Croydon Ranges	53.33
F Grade	Ian Spencer	Croydon Ranges	46.86
G Grade	Glenn Taylor	Olinda	50.00
H Grade	Aiden Short	Norwood	54.00
I Grade	Tim Hutchison	Wantirna	53.33

BOWLING

Chandler 1	Dan Turner	Warranwood	9.94
Chandler Reserve	Sam Bates	Templeton	10.55
Wilkins 1	Wayne Ross	Bayswater Park	8.29
Wilkins Reserve	Phil Coats	Norwood	8.65
Newey 1	Craig O'Brien	Scoresby Ferndale	11.38
Newey Reserve	Chris Wullaert	Scoresby Ferndale	9.57
A Grade	Wes Carroll	Kilsyth	10.39
B Grade	Jim Page	Warranwood	6.37
C Grade	Barry Mealings	Templeton	5.13
D Grade	Eddie Cauchi	Warrandyte	9.10
E Grade	Scott Shaw	Templeton	11.30
	Chris Gunn	Chirnside Park	11.30
F Grade	Warwick Knight	St Andrews	9.00
G Grade	Richard Arnott	Olinda	7.46
H Grade	Ian Burns	Knox City	10.68
I Grade	Adrian Willoughby	Wantirna	5.78

Chandler Allrounder	Chad Rogers	South Warrandyte
Wilkins Allrounder	Andrew Downs	Norwood
Newey Allrounder	Craig O'Brien	Scoresby Ferndale
Under 21 Best Player	Michael Edwards	Montrose
Under 18 Best Player	Justin Cleaves	Warrandyte

ALL STAR TEAM

Cameron Parker ©	(Lilydale)	Jason Disney	(Templeton)
Paul Payne	(Templeton)	Robbie Arbuckle	(Croydon North)
Kevin Drennan	(Kilsyth)	Chad Rogers	(South Warrandyte)
Mark Unternahrer	(Kilsyth)	Chris Young	(Mooroolbark)
Luke Skelton	(Lilydale)	Mark Butters	(Ferntree Gully)
Michael Spittle	(Warranwood)		

LET US REMEMBER

RON ELLIS

When Ron Ellis passed away, in January, the RDCA lost one of its stalwarts. He was a former umpire, executive committee member, CUOV (now VMCU) delegate and a great supporter of cricket and cricketers in the RDCA.

Ron and his wife, Connie, moved to Ringwood North from New South Wales in the early eighties and Ron immediately joined the RDCA umpires panel on which he served until the late 1990's. During his time as an umpire, Ron not only umpired at the highest level in the RDCA, he also held the position of President of the Umpires Association for several years. His service to umpiring in the RDCA was acknowledged in the 1989/90 season, when he was awarded Life membership of the RDCA Umpires Association.

At the start of the 1983/84 season, Ron was recruited to the RDCA Executive Committee and at that time took on the role of delegate to the CUOV, a role he retained until the end of season 93/94. Ron was awarded Life membership of the RDCA in the 1990/91 season and he remained on the RDCA Executive until the end of 96/97, when he retired due to ill health.

JACK LE POIDEVIN

Jack Le Poidevin played with Lilydale, after coming back from South Melbourne where he had won the first eleven batting average on several occasions.

During the period 1951/52 to 1961/62, Jack won the "A" Grade (now Chandler Shield) batting average six times and is said to have made 67 centuries during his cricket career.

To those who played with and against him in his time in the RDCA, he was a great guy, a true sportsman in every way and extremely well respected.