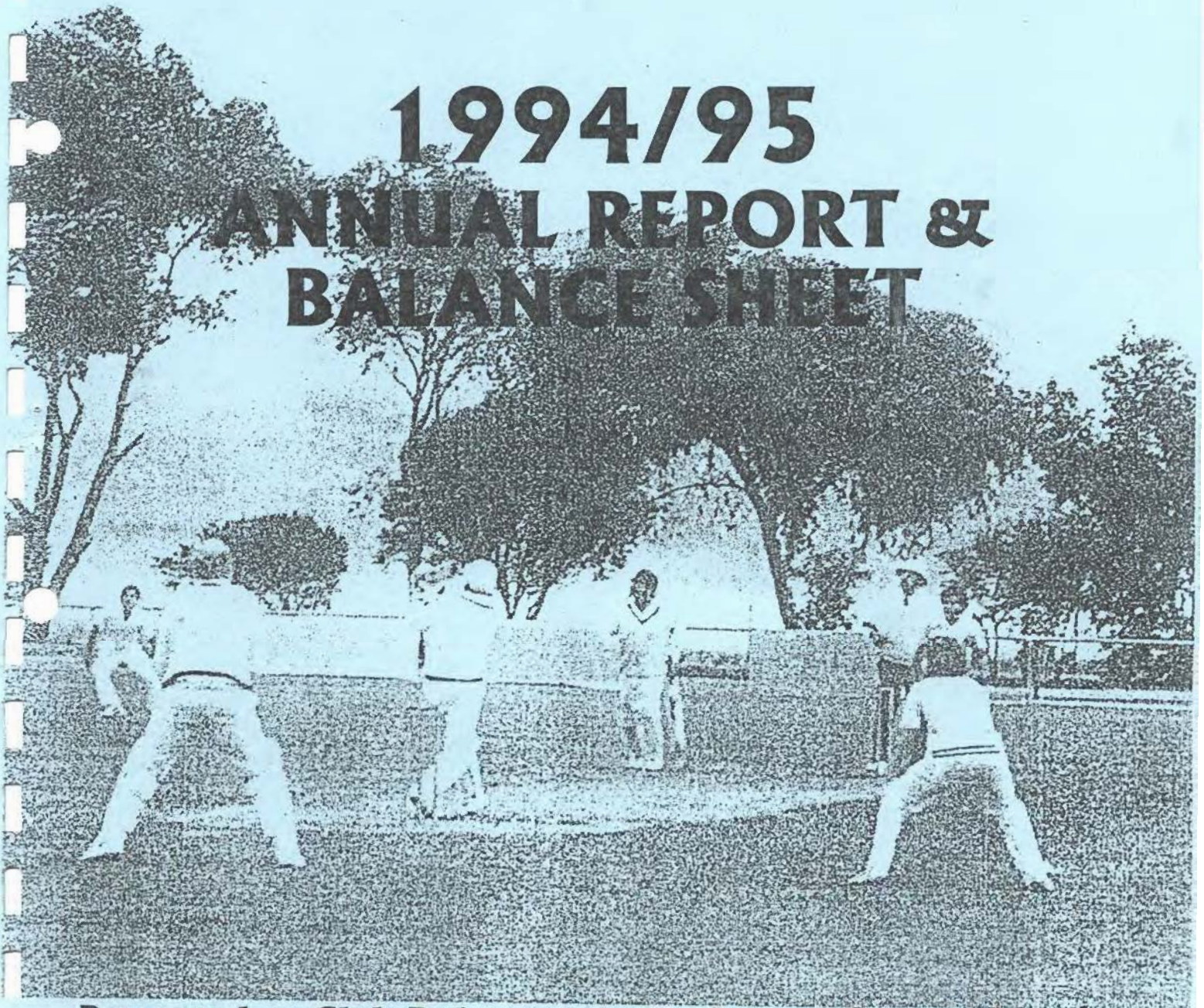


# **RINGWOOD & DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION INC.**

## **1994/95 ANNUAL REPORT & BALANCE SHEET**



**Presented to Club Delegates at the Annual General Meeting  
held at Ainslie Park on Wednesday 16 August, 1995**

**RINGWOOD & DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION Inc.**

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Excepting for the first round and some interruption to the senior grade finals, cricketers enjoyed good weather throughout the 1994/95 cricket season.

The revised conditions for the finals, under which games were played, except for some minor variations, as per the normal home and home games enabled all to be completed prior to the deadline.

Congratulations to Croydon North, St Andrews and Aquinas who gained the major premierships of Chandler, A and B Grades respectively.

The withdrawal of the Vermont Club just prior to the commencement of the season allowed Ferntree Gully into the top grade and their performance in finishing in second place at the end of the rostered games was an incredible effort.

Unfortunately the changes caused a delay in the production of the new fixture book. However we were able to have the publication available at the Secretaries meeting. The book proved to be an outstanding success. As well as the fixture it contained other basic information which helped clubs prepare for the game and cope with problems during the game. It is planned to produce the book for season 1995/96.

Another innovation this season was the form made available to captains of matches where official umpires were not appointed. The form, introduced on a trial basis for the last two matches, enabled captains to report on various aspects of their game. The comments received have been most helpful and may enable us to effect changes beneficial to cricketers in those grades.

Our computer records have been under the direction of Stuart Newey and John Higgins. Early in the year Stuart also received valuable assistance from the family of the late Ken Dunham and I would like to record our grateful thanks to these people.

Changes to our requirements and the availability of new technology will require our computer systems to be substantially upgraded before next season and the Executive is currently considering options in this field. The Executive has worked well to further the interests of the Association and none harder than our Secretary, Lindsay Trollope. Lindsay has a deep love of the game and continually applies himself most diligently to ensure that cricket in the R.D.C.A. is enjoyed by all members. During the weeks of the actual season, with daily changes to teams, grades and ground locations, but Lindsay with the willing help of Beverley, seems to rise above these crises

to provide solutions to enable games to be played.

All other members of the Executive have worked hard and we are indeed most fortunate that persons of such high calibre and experience are prepared to give up their valuable time in the interests of improving our local cricket. We were most disappointed to receive the resignation of John Woolhouse during the season, but hope to see him with us at some time in the future.

Perhaps the most satisfying and encouraging indication of the success of the past season was the glowing comments I received in a letter from a father from a young cricketer in our Association.

The boy had played junior and senior cricket for some years and had been selected in a few R.D.C.A. representatives under-age teams. The father wrote that his son was now too old for under-age cricket, but had benefited tremendously as a person by his involvement in the game. The father added that the attention given to his son by a succession of team managers and coaches from both his own club and the R.D.C.A. was at all times of the highest standard.

The letter reminded me of our obligation to provide the best possible environment for ALL cricketers in our Association, and I feel that the progress we have made together this season and in previous seasons, augers well for the future of the R.D.C.A.

*Bill Wilkins*

## GENERAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Due to the A.F.L. Grand Final being played on 1 October, the opening date of the 1994/95 season was delayed to the following Saturday. Everything was in place for the opening until the rains arrived late on the Friday and continued throughout the night and into Saturday, thus causing the decision to postpone Round 1. We wondered whether it was going to be a repeat of the 1992/93 season when inclement weather caused us to lose some 6 days of cricket prior to Christmas. However, except for some minor delays in Round 2 and a small hiccup in the finals, the balance of the season produced probably the best weather we have experienced for many years. Whilst we had an extremely hot summer, there was only one day of oppressive heat during the season and when the final ball was bowled in March to signal the end of the Chandler 1 final, the curtain came down on another successful season.

The official start to the 1994/95 season was on 19 August 1994 when the 75th Annual Meeting was conducted in the Ainslie Park clubrooms. The re-appointment of Bill Wilkins to the position of President for his 7th term indicated the confidence that clubs have in Bill's leadership. I have mentioned in many of the past reports that we are fortunate to have a person with Bill's experience in local government and community organisations as President of the Association and this was of vital importance in a year which has seen dramatic changes in municipal boundaries and the administration of the facilities which our clubs use each week of the cricket season. Bill's knowledge will be also of valuable assistance as the Association moves to a closer relationship with the new administrations.

The major change in the competition was the introduction of 2 day finals introduced following acceptance of the rule change by an overwhelming majority of the clubs. We also introduced a "C" Division in an attempt to ensure a more even competition in the lower grades. Another new feature was the introduction of a fixture book which also included basic information for captains and secretaries. This appeared to be a winner and will be repeated in season 1995/96.

The Vermont club decided to return to the Box Hill Reporter Association while Mt Evelyn decided to affiliate with the Yarra Valley Association. The decision by Vermont occurred after the draw and fixtures had been completed, but the movement of Ferntree Gully to Chandler Shield

was achieved without any problems while some re-arrangement was necessary to "B" grade as a result of the Mt Evelyn decision.

As "B" Grade comprised only 8 teams a different fixture to the other grades was used with a 13 round season comprising seven two-day and six one-day games. This appeared to be a success and it was first suggested by the Aquinas club. Our thanks are extended to them for their contribution. The only real problem occurred when the clubs in "B" Grade had teams in the lower grades who were playing the normal two-day games.

In the latter part of the season we introduced, on a trial basis, "Captains Comments" forms in games where official umpires were not provided.

The completion and return of these forms was on a voluntary basis and the Executive were delighted that some 55-60% of captains responded. It was interesting to note that 95% of the returns indicated satisfaction with most aspects of the lower grade games.

The members of the Executive were again to the forefront in playing their part in the administration of the Association. Joan Newey continued in her role as Treasurer with valuable assistance, as always, from Stuart who also remained in the position of Registration Secretary.

Stuart, along with John Higgins, was also heavily involved with the computer work which had been undertaken in previous by the late Ken Dunham.

Steve Pascoe was again Bill's deputy and his leadership is of considerable benefit to the R.D.C.A. Steve is always looking at ways to improve the standard of the Association in all aspects of the game, with particular reference to seeking better conditions for players and clubs provided that both players and clubs adhere to the rules under which the Association is structured.

Ann Pascoe continued in her role as Social Convener and, as usual, both social functions were again highly successful. Ann also provides assistance to Rachel with the telephone scores when necessary as well as providing valuable input at Executive meetings.

Pat Meehan again served the Association in his position of Secretary of the Umpire's Association and, with a drop in the number of umpires from the previous season, his administrative skills were taxed to the fullest. Pat has worked tirelessly to improve the relationship of players and umpires and a read of his report will show that his work is bearing fruit.

## GENERAL SECRETARY'S REPORT Cont.

David Beatty and Neil Tull remained our representatives on the Eastern Cricket Academy and their contribution was highly regarded by the Ringwood Cricket Club. David took charge of the Association un 21 and under 18 squads, while Neil was again Match Chairman for the senior group. Details of the matches played are shown elsewhere in this document.

Ron Ellis retired as the C.U.O.V. representative, but continued on the Executive and volunteered to be the Saturday "trouble shooter". Ron armed with his "trusty" mobile phone was able to arrive at trouble spots and cool situations very quickly. Ron provided a valuable service to the clubs and the move to a mobile phone from the old beeper system was most successful.

Duncan Cant was the "new boy" to the Executive and he brought to it years of experience in club administration. Duncan assisted Neil and David on the match and selection committees.

President of the R.D.C.A. Junior Association, John Tynan, replaced Neville Bradshaw as its representative on the senior body. Neville found it necessary to resign due to business commitments. John provided most valuable contributions to the Executive and his strong leadership of the juniors is a principal reason for the high standing that the R.D.C.A. has in connection with under-age competitions.

During the season John Woolhouse resigned from the committee and contributions have been greatly missed. John was an important part of the match committee and it is hoped that he will find it possible to return at some future time.

Fortunately only two meetings of the Tribunal were necessary during the season which indicates that the on-field behaviour has continued the improvement so evident over recent seasons. In addition 14 players (23 in 1993/94) were named for minor infringements of the rules and we look forward to a further reduction in these numbers next season.

Croydon North re-established their control of the Chandler competition with a comfortable victory in the final, while St Andrews signalled a return to the top grade with an emphatic win in "A" Grade. Aquinas recovered from a poor 1993/94 season to easily win the "B" Grade pennant and promotion to "A" Grade in 1995/96. All the details of the finals are in the Finals round-up section of this book.

The R.D.C.A. regained the senior Maddocks Shield in its game against the Box Hill Association while the Under 18 maintained its unbeaten record against Box Hill in its retention of the trophy.

Ken Johnston and Brian Gobbi again provided leadership to the Veteran's competition and it was no surprise that numbers were up on the previous season. The growth in the veteran's competition has been quite staggering.

Bill Dean continues as the Association's patron and it had been suggested that he is trying to be patron for at least the same number of years as he was President. Bill is of course still intensely interested in the R.D.C.A. and, as mentioned in the 93/94 report, has taken a special interest in the Veterans competition. Bill continues to receive a warm welcome as he does his Saturday afternoon "ground crawl".

We now look forward to season 1995/96 as the past season becomes a pleasant memory. The one-day 100 over game in the top grades will be played under similar restrictions to the V.C.A. District Competition while it is also possible that we will have a one-day grade in the lower divisions.

I express my sincere gratitude to the secretaries and other officials of the clubs for their excellent assistance during the past 12 months and I particularly thank them for their contributions to this report.

In conclusion I would be very remiss if I did not thank Beverley for the assistance given to me in the conduct of the Association's affairs particularly in view of her full-time commitment as Administrator of the Mountain District Badminton Association.

*Lindsay Trollope*

## JUNIOR PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Once again I am pleased to record that the 1994/95 season ran smoothly. The Junior Presentation Night showed that many fine individual and team performances occurred during the year and I have no doubt that we will see a similar high standard next year. Incidentally, on Presentation Night the Karalika Theatre was filled to overflowing which has prompted us to seek a larger venue for next year.

You may recall in last year's Report that the Committee was keen to improve the skills of all Junior players by encouraging Team Managers and Coaches to gain coaching accreditation. The accreditation course which the Committee arranged through the Victorian Cricket Association resulted in over 40 participants being successful in obtaining Level 1 standard. An invitation has been extended to them to upgrade their qualification to Level 2. I would like to see more club officials gaining at least Level 1 coaching standard. During the year we acknowledged that the non-competitive team received little recognition for their efforts. To correct this situation we decided to give a trophy to the best two conducted teams. The purpose of the awards is to encourage good sportsmanship from an early age. These annual trophies have been named after Neville Bradshaw and Josh Brown both of whom have worked tirelessly over many years to promote junior cricket. We were pleased that Neville and Josh were able to present the trophies at the Presentation Night.

Our thanks go to the veterans who generously donated a quality cricket bat to the juniors. The veterans have indicated that they will continue to support us in a variety of ways. We are very grateful for the interest shown by the veterans. The Committee decided that the bat would be awarded to the 1994/95 Junior Club Champion - Wantirna South.

The main challenges facing all clubs are not new but are worth re-stating:

1. Recruiting
2. Developing and involvement
3. Standard of conduct.

1. We must recruit more players. It is disappointing to see some clubs with only one or two junior teams. Not only will this affect the senior teams in the next few years, but there is a real possibility that councils will re-allocate under-used grounds to other sporting groups.

2. We must strive for continuous improvement skills. Most clubs not have at least one person who has Level 1 coaching accreditation. This should result in a higher level of skills development providing that all players have their fair share of batting and bowling during the matches. Team managers have an obligation to give everybody an opportunity every game.

3. We must insist on an excellent standard of behaviour. The vast majority of teams display excellent behaviour due mainly to the high standards set by their team managers. The junior committee, with the full support of the senior committee will not tolerate sledging, disputing umpire's decisions and general bad behaviour of players or officials. I ask all club officials to ensure that good sportsmanship is displayed at all times.

I am grateful for the support I have received from the senior committee, junior administrators, parents and players. My special thanks go to every member of the junior committee who have all given so generously of their time, expertise and advice. As I have decided not to seek re-election, I will certainly miss their camaraderie but I am confident that the junior division is in fine shape and will continue to improve under the new committee.

*John Tynan*

## JUNIOR SECRETARY'S REPORT

Once again we have come to the conclusion of another season. I am most grateful for the positive support given by fellow committee. All worked hard over the winter to ensure a smooth start to the season and to maintain expertise and guidance to clubs throughout the season.

This association comprised 33 clubs fielding 131 teams. The number of new players registered was 574, 61 lower than the 1993/94 season. The loss of Mt Evelyn to Yarra Vally and Vermont to Box Hill Reporter did not help our cause. The declining trend from cricket in our association does pose concern. I know all members are aware of need to reverse this trend and the survey completed toward the end of the season will give incoming committee a line of attack to work on to try and increase numbers.

The association again acquitted itself well with teams participating in Inter- association/ Inter-carnival and School boys competition. We were also well represented in the Keith Mitchell Shield (U12) Hatch (U14) and Dowling (U16). Congratulations to award winners and premiership teams and thanks to other teams which played entertaining/competitive cricket each week. There were some notable achievements in our competition. Well done to those players.

The coaching clinic is an innovation that has been evident in juniors before. Although time consuming and with early teething problems, the executive was pleased to be able to provide an excellent opportunity for those coaches of which 31 have now reached level 1 accreditation.

My thanks to team managers and club personnel who made up the off-field team of hard working officials willing to spend many unpaid hours to ensure a successful season. My thanks also to Susan Davidson who did a great job in taking telephone scores and ensuring local newspapers printed information. My thanks also to my wife Mary for all her help during the season with the typing and the taking of telephone calls.

The season did not go without incidents. I am concerned at the number of investigations needed and more so at the needs to apply player suspensions and impose club fines. It is vital for players and team managers to respect the Code of Conduct. The future is bright and the challenges exciting. I am sure that you all can

maintain enthusiasm and help this association to become stronger. Keep in mind it is our responsibility to develop cricketers and enable them to play at the highest possible level.

Finally after much consideration, I have decided not to stand for re-election. This decision was indeed difficult. I have enjoyed my time within our association but more importantly the many friendships that I have made that I am sure will continue.

Thank you to all. My best wishes for continued success within all areas of the Association.

*Alf Pennington*

## REGISTRATION SECRETARY'S REPORT

I am sure that I do not have to remind the majority of club officials that in season 1994/95, we were unable to provide the same level of service to the clubs as in previous years.

This was, of course, the direct result of not being able to find someone to replace the late Ken Dunham. Ken wrote the programme for the R.D.C.A. and was virtually able to spend as much time as required to provide the service to the clubs. We "muddled" through the early part of the season and as the year progressed we were able to improve our computer output to the clubs.

I am confident that our service to clubs will be greatly improved next season, but until we have virtually full-time administrators we will not be in the position to provide the amount of support provided by Ken.

Despite losing two sizeable clubs from the Association, our registered players totalled in excess of 6500 with 35 clubs.  
150 Senior teams participated.  
131 Junior teams participated.

98 clearances were processed, while it was necessary to convene 3 meetings of the Permit Committee at which 2 appeals were upheld.

Because of the limited service provided to clubs, particularly early in the season, some leniency was given in relation to the fines imposed on clubs in relation to incorrect spelling, inaccurate player performances etc. Once again I thank Joan and my family for their support and assistance given to me in the performance of the functions of the above position. Special thanks are extended to Betty Dunham for putting up with the inconvenience of making Ken's computer room available to me and others to process R.D.C.A. results.

*Stuart Newey*

## CRICKET UNION OF VICTORIA DELEGATE'S REPORT

After 10 years of representing the R.D.C.A. as its member on the Cricket Union, Ron Ellis decided that the second Thursday on most months of the year should now belong to Connie and himself. The Association was extremely grateful for the contribution Ron made to the Union on its behalf.

Yours truly took over the position although I would be grateful if a volunteer could come forward as I have a commitment on most Thursdays of the year. The union is basically the spokesman for its member Associations on the V.C.A.

The Union again provided scorebooks at a most competitive price and, as all clubs are aware, the book is the compulsory scorebook for all our under-age teams and I would estimate that 95% of senior teams use the book.

The V.C.A. development grant scheme is administered by the C.U.O.V. and I strongly recommend the scheme. R.D.C.A. clubs have benefited to the tune of tens of thousands of dollars since its inception.

The R.D.C.A. looks forward to a continuing close relationship with the Union as it seeks to provide improved conditions for players who participate in the local competitions.

*Lindsay Trollope*



## UMPIRES ASSOCIATION SECRETARY'S REPORT

Our season began with the awesome task of replacing our highly regarded and respected President, the late Ken Dunham. Ken's contribution to both the R.D.C.A. and the Umpires Association was enormous in respect of time, quality and quantity. Peter Williams was elected President for season 1994/95 and led the Association admirably.

For the first time for many years we had a decline in membership due to employment opportunities with the changed economic climate and retirements. Forty umpires were available for the season which enabled us to continue to appoint two umpires in all Chandler 1 and "A" 1 games and in most "B" 1 matches. We welcomed the following to the umpiring ranks - Tony Darmody (who retired due to ill-health during the season), Michael Duke, Darrell Hayes, Tim Lambrick, Rod Parsley and Trevor Tormey while Andy Austin made a welcome return to our ranks after an absence of a number of years.

As in previous years the umpires officiated at Dowling Shield, senior and junior representative games and the I.A.C.C. and Mitchell Shield carnival games. My thanks are extended to the umpires who offered their services. In addition we needed volunteer umpires for the semi-final matches and I thank those clubs who provided umpires. Unfortunately many clubs did not respond to the request from the R.D.C.A. and thus some semi-final matches only had one umpire. This was most disappointing. I hope for a better response next season.

Except for a couple of "A" Grade Clubs player behaviour was the best for many years, with the number of players both reported and named for breaches of the code of conduct far less than in previous seasons. All umpires hope that this trend continues as it makes umpiring more pleasurable.

On behalf of the umpires, may I congratulate all medal winners, trophy winners and premiers on their success this season.

I extend our members thanks to the captains, ladies and club members for their efforts and hospitality, before, during and after the game. A special thanks to all scorers for their dedication and assistance to umpires.

My personal thanks is extended to our President, Peter Williams, Vice-Presidents, David Rashleigh and Martin Pryers, Umpires Adviser, John Fearnley and Social Secretary, Colin Hill.

I also thank the R.D.C.A. Executive for their continued support.

I would like to give a special thank you to my wife, Lex who has put up with my many hours away at meetings, tribunal hearings, doing paperwork and Executive meetings at our home.

Lastly, let me thank my fellow umpires for their dedication, enthusiasm and support during the season and for attending the monthly meetings in such large numbers.

In closing I urge all retiring players to seriously consider taking up umpiring to put something back into the game you have enjoyed over many years by joining our ranks.

Your call is awaited.

*Pat Meehan*

## VETERAN'S REPORT

The 1994/95 and Seventh season of Veterans cricket proved to be our best.

The executive set out this year to provide a forum for many families to enjoy the game of cricket without undue aggression and for a short time, to forget the every day stresses. The feedback received indicates we achieved this goal.

We had 26 teams this year with over 440 people playing. Two new sides Mooroolbark and Boronia were welcomed.

Great support of the concept was demonstrated with a record number of 230 people attending our Veterans dinner in February, and having a wonderful time with generous donations from Max Brown Real estate, Bowens Timber, Callen Sports, Top Line Sports and Our & Out Hair Care of Arndale. We had to turn clubs away which will need to be rectified next year. This night is successful, mainly to the MC, Pat Arbuckle of Croydon North who relaxes every one with his wit and demeanour. Thanks Pat.

Our Inter-Association games against Ferntree Gully were again a success, and we thank Norwood for hosting both these games. The Over 50's game was tense and exciting and while Pat Arbuckle's team lost in the last over, every one enjoyed it. Jeff Luscombe as Team Manager must be thanked. In the over 40's Ross Macauley led an extremely talented team to a comfortable win to retain the Trophy. Bill Stafford as Team Manager and arranger of the games worked hard with great results.

Since the last Annual Report, we sent a team of cricketers and their wives to Birmingham, England to compete against and associate with 90 other sides from all around the world. Ted Griffett must be thanked, and all that went would agree with that. We hope many others can take advantage of these trips in the years to come.

In our last report we made the point about the need for veterans to provide the ultimate in sportsmanship as an example to our young people.

The prime aim was to arrest the slide of potential cricketers to other sports. I can report that we achieved the sportsmanship requirement, for which the executive are very grateful. In turn the amount of families and supporters from the clubs is increasing at our games and this can only go well to achieve the second part of the objective.

As an added push to achieve this result we have decided that we will assist our Junior Administration with sponsorships in the future. This is a sensible approach to take, as many veteran cricketers are in fact heavily involved in junior cricket.

On the playing field we had two undefeated teams contest Division 3 Trophy, with Bayswater Park overcoming Montrose in a high scoring game.

Both had excellent years.

The Division 2, Ken Johnston Trophy, was played by two high profile teams, Warrandyte & Croydon North. While Warrandyte started favourite Croydon North won with both sides making 200+. The Division 1, Bill Dean Shield, was won for the 4th time by Croydon Hockeyers against last seasons Division 2 premiers, South Warrandyte. On the turf at Croydon oval, Hockeyers experience and depth won the day by only 10 runs. It is an excellent effort by Hockeyers to have played in 5 Grand final in a row, and against a different side each year. This record will be hard to beat in future, especially with the high quality players that are now playing Veterans cricket in the various sides.

It was in this match that true sportsmanship was demonstrated. Hockeyers had suffered a series of injuries to key players prior to the game which left them with only 10 eligible players, South Warrandyte allowed them to play an unqualified player. During the match South Warrandyte suffered an injury and Hockeyers allowed the 12th man to bat. A lot of credit must go to these two teams for allowing the veterans ideals to come to the fore.

Special thanks to all the committee, especially Jeff Luscombe, for their work over the year.

In summary we can look forward to further gains for cricket from this style of cricket. Provided we can retain the prevailing positive attitude of all participating cricketers and future committee members, next season is eagerly awaited.

*Brian Gobbi*  
*Secretary*

## MATCH COMMITTEE REPORT

Under the chairmanship of Neil Tull, the committee comprised David Beatty, John Woolhouse and Duncan Cant. John Woolhouse found it necessary to resign from the Executive and his valuable input was lost from the Committee. David again concentrated his activities with the Under 18 and Under 21 squad and was also on the selection committee of the Eastern Cricket Academy, while Neil and Duncan dealt principally with then senior squad. Neil retained his position on the Academy's Board. It was feared at one stage that the Academy would be wound up, but David has been advised by the Ringwood Club that it will continue in season 1995/96 and there is an excellent chance that the Association will be afforded more places than in previous years.

The results of the games played by each team is shown elsewhere in this document. In the games against the Box Hill Association, the R.D.C.A. regained the Senior Maddocks Shield, while the under 18 team came from an almost impossible position to retain the Maddocks Shield. For the second successive season the Association lost any chance of making the finals in the Under 21 C.U.O.V. competition due to the abandonment of 2 games due to adverse weather. The Association feels that the rules of this competition may need to be varied to ensure all teams are on an equal footing. In the 2 games which were unable to be completed, it is believed that these were the only ones affected. Perhaps we should be looking at why it is necessary to play these games on turf when the overwhelmingly majority of participants are from non-turf associations.

The final representative game for the season saw the under 18 team well beaten by Yarra Valley, but overall the 1994/95 season was a good one for the R.D.C.A.

The Match Committee, together with some input from other Executive members were responsible for the selection of the All-stars team.

The Executive expresses its gratitude to Neil and his Committee with special mention to the tremendous work that David Beatty does with the two under-age squads. In addition appreciation is expressed to parents and other helpers in the organisation of these games. Thanks are also given to the St Andrews club for their excellent hosting of the Box Hill games.

*Lindsay Trollope*



## TREASURER'S REPORT

This years financial report shows that actual expenditure incurred exceeded income earned by \$1,945 and when write down of assets by way of depreciation is taken into account, a loss of \$2,695 was recorded for the season's activities.

There are two main reasons for this situation.

1. Following Ken Dunham's passing, the Association was not able to provide the same degree of computer support as previously. Bearing in mind it was agreed by the Executive Committee that we would not impose fines for senior match result errors which in previous seasons amounted to more than \$1,000.
2. An independent review of Honoraria paid by the Association recommended an increase of \$2,750 which was not allowed for in my original budgeted estimates.

Despite the non imposition of match result sheet fines for seniors, fines totalling \$2,166 were incurred - a disturbing situation which I believe should be addressed by each club official to save his/her club this needless expense.

A serious concern to me is the amount of \$2,079 owed to the R.D.C.A. by twelve clubs. This means that each of these clubs will be starting the season with a debt which will have to be met by the next season's players rather than least season's players who incurred the debts. It also means that the club officials have not satisfactorily managed their financial resources. In accordance with a decision of the Executive Committee, I take the opportunity of advising clubs in the Association that all last season's outstanding accounts must be settled prior to the commencement of next season.

Joan Newey

## BALANCE SHEET - 31ST MAY 1995

### ASSETS

<u>Current Assets:</u>	\$	
ANZ Trading account	1079	
ANZ Investment account	8073	
ANZ Term Dep. G/Tee 7%	3500	
CHO - Croydon Hockeyers	31	
CRU - Croydon United	208	
GLP - Glen Park	269	
HEA - Heathmont	15	
KNC - Knox City	38	
KGN - Knox Gardens	357	
LYD - Lilydale	62	
OLN - Olinda	191	
PWD - Parkwood	133	
SBY - Scoresby	347	
SWT - South Warrandyte	242	
WOP - Wonga Park	186	
B & F Medallions	576	
Premiership Medallions	25	
RDCA Caps	112	
RDCA Rule Book Covers	1140	
RDCA Ties	634	
Scorebooks	70	
Umpires Counters	24	
Umpires Manuals	10	\$17322
<u>Fixed Assets:</u>	\$	
Computer & Printer	1000	
Dip Phone & Pager	400	
Facsimile Machine	150	\$1550
Total Assets		\$18872

### LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

<u>Current Liabilities</u>	\$	
Accruals	1408	\$1408
<u>Long Term Liabilities</u>	\$	
Bond Moneys	500	
Guarantee Moneys	3500	\$4000
Total Liabilities		\$5408
<u>Equity</u>	\$	
Retained Earnings	16159	
Year to date profit/(loss)	(2695)	\$13,464
Total Liabilities and Equity		\$18872

**STATEMENT OF INCOME**  
**TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 31 MAY 1995**

<u>Income:</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>%</u>
Affiliation Fees	30,750	73.9
Computer Fees	5,982	14.4
Fines - Senior Grades	228	0.5
Fines - Junior Grades	1,345	3.2
Fines - Umpires Reports etc.	1,036	2.5
Sundry Entries	(62)	(0.0)
Interest	306	0.7
Donations	1,600	3.8
Rule Book Cover Sales	43	0.1
Umpires Subscriptions	<u>390</u>	<u>0.9</u>
Total Income	\$41,618	100.0
<u>Expense:</u>		
Honoraria	11,350	27.3
General Secretary	1,500	3.6
Junior Secretary	908	2.2
Senior Registration Secretary	878	2.1
Junior Registration Secretary	439	1.1
Umpire's Secretary	379	0.9
Match Result Secretaries	1,082	2.6
Treasurer	350	0.8
Publicity Officer	104	0.2
Postage & Stationery	126	0.3
Printing & Typing etc.	4,551	10.9
Computer Processing	5,419	13.0
Photocopying	596	1.4
Ground & Hall Rental	614	1.5
Umpire's Fees	1,250	3.0
Telephone & Paging	690	1.7
Computer costs	500	1.2
Affiliation/ Registration Fees	175	0.4
C.U.O.V./ Legal	42	0.1
Trophies, Shields	1579	3.8
Pennants, Plaques etc.	2913	7.0
Insurance	843	2.0
Bank Charges	275	0.7
Sundry Expenses	157	0.4
Presentation Night - Senior	1,354	3.3
Presentation Night - Junior	540	1.3
Vote Count Night	(15)	0.0
Catering	1,440	3.5
Rule Book Amendments	677	1.6
Misc. Equipment	548	1.3
B & F Medallions purchased	495	1.2
Cricket Balls Purchased	1,498	3.6
R.D.C.A.Caps purchased	187	0.4
R.D.C.A.Ties Purchased	633	1.5
Scorebooks Purchased	(514)	(1.2)
Depreciation of Equipment	750	1.8
Total Expense	<u>\$44,313</u>	<u>106.5</u>
Net Income	<u>(\$2,695)</u>	<u>(6.5)</u>

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## REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES

### UNDER 21

R.D.C.A.	3/33 (L. O'Connor 22n.o.) *
E.S.C.A.	5/121cc (P. Hawkey 2/18)
R.D.C.A.	7/165 (L. O'Connor 65no, P. Hawkey 26, S. Nicholl 24no)
E.B.K.C.A.	2/102 *
R.D.C.A.	7/143 (P. Hawkey 31, C. Rogers 31, S. Nicholl 28no)
E.S.C.D.C.A.	9/119 (S. Nicholl 3/15)

\* Games abandoned due to adverse weather

### UNDER 18

R.D.C.A.	8/174 (S Moran 46, S. Johnstone 33, B. Gaunt 22)
B.H.R.D.C.A.	5/171 (R Eagles 3/25)
R.D.C.A.	111 (S. Moran 30, D. Bird 29)
YARRA VALLEY	7/255 ( S. Weeks 2/20, D. Bird 2/29)

### SENIOR

R.D.C.A.	9/174cc (Ken Trollope 48no, John Salter 37, Nick Bole-Brown 34)
B.H.R.D.C.A.	7/153 (Tony Smith 3/27, Haydn Jacob 2/5)

## REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS - PARTICIPATING PLAYERS

### UNDER 21

R. Allport  
A. Kaufmann  
P. Hawkey  
L. O'Connor  
T. Zanoni  
C. Rogers  
S. Murley  
D. Carratelli  
S. Nichol  
G. Gardham  
J. Disney  
P. Ballagh  
S. Rackman  
M. Buzaglo  
C. Swaine  
L. Brunner

### UNDER 18

D. Bird  
S. Johnstone  
G. Gardam  
B. Gaunt  
M. Buzaglo  
S. Moran  
L. Brunner  
D. Lear  
R. Eagles  
A. Houghton  
S. Weeks  
A. Waters  
K. Steinmuller  
B. Wilkins

### SENIOR

J. Salter  
H. Jacob  
N. Williams  
M. Unternahrer  
A. Downs  
A. Smith  
K. Trollope  
A. Spittle  
M. Edmonds  
N. Bole-Brown  
A. Brush  
D. Pedlar



# INDIVIDUAL TROPHIES

## BATTING

CHANDLER	1	Tony Smith	FTG	80.0
	2	Junstin Uilderks	MOO	89.3
	3	Cliff James	FTG	102.3
	4	Darren Ribchester	WSO	80.2
"A"	1	Darren Roe	NRI	59.6
	2	David Dickson	SWT	73.2
	3	Robert Harris	STA	67.2
	4	Thomas Fay	BYP	105.5
"B"	1	Steve Scott	OLN	72.7
	2	Shane Pay	KGN	62.0
	3	Phil Mc Mahon	STA	44.0
"C"	1	Ray Noon	WSO	80.0
	2	Darren Dans	CNT	72.8
	3	Russell Walton	PWD	83.2

## BOWLING

CHANDLER	1	Darren Milo	CNT	11.5
	2	Chris Snaidero	WDT	11.9
	3	Ricky Ross	CNT	11.6
	4	Gary Maidment	LYD	11.9
"A"	1	Barry Williams	SWT	12.0
	2	Rob Darvell	STA	14.3
	3	Malcolm Vardy	SBY	14.4
	4	Luke Flintoff	TMP	12.4
"B"	1	Rod Marget	KGN	13.5
	2	Darren Mc Leod	KGN	9.1
	3	Keith Pritchard	OLN	13.4
"C"	1	Tim Moran	STA	9.1
	2	David Cloke	WDT	12.3
	3	Les Cochrane	WSO	11.6

### CHANDLER 1 ALL-ROUNDER

### BEST UNDER 21 PLAYER

### BEST UNDER 18 PLAYER

### FAIREST & BEST AWARDS

### BILL DEAN MEDAL

### CLIVE FAIRBAIRN MEDAL

### STEVE PASCOE MEDAL

Tony Smith

Luke O'Connor

Simon Moran

Andrew Downs

Geoff Chamberlain

Rod Marget

Ferntree Gully

North Ringwood

St Andrews

Ferntree Gully

North Ringwood

Knox Gardens

## \*\*\*\*\*ALL - STARS TEAM\*\*\*\*\*

*	John Salter (C)	Mooroolbark	*
*	Darren Milo	Croydon North	*
*	Jason Walsh	Wantirna South	*
*	Mark Edmonds	Croydon North	*
*	Nick Williams	Norwood	*
*	Ken Trollope	Mooroolbark	*
*	Andrew Downs	Ferntree Gully	*
*	Tony Smith	Ferntree Gully	*
*	Russell Jenzen	Croydon North	*
*	Andrew Spittle	Parkwood	*
*	Paul Barnett	Lilydale	*

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## BATSMEN

### WHO SCORED 200 OR MORE IN ONE INNINGS

GRADE	NAME	CLUB	SCORE
B1	A. Watt	Glen Park	255
B3	D. Roche	Knox Gardens	255
CH1	T. Smith	Ferntree Gully	244no
CH3	B. Carnell	Wantirna South	230no
B3	G. Spencer	Croydon Hockeyers	218
C3	L. Cochrane	Wantirna South	209
A1	K. Drennan	Chirnside Park	208no
C3	G. Redfern	Croydon Hockeyers	204no
A3	P. Connolly	St Andrews	201

### MORE THAN ONE CENTURY

CENTURIES	NAME	CLUB
3	D. Ralston	Kilsyth
3	B. Fisher	Lilydale
3	D. Grigg	Mooroolbark
3	N. Williams	Norwood
3	N. Moran	St Andrews
3	L. Cochrane	Wantirna South
2	K Noble	Montrose
2	W. Denridder	Croydon Hockeyers
2	T. Scott	Olinda
2	S Scott	Olinda
2	M Merrett	Kilsyth
2	F. Mc Arthur	South Croydon
2	I. Everitt	Wonga Park
2	B. Dawson	East Ringwood
2	A. Downs	Ferntree Gully
2	T. Smith	Ferntree Gully
2	C. James	Ferntree Gully
2	J. Walsh	Wantirna South
2	A. Gawne	Wantirna South
2	D. Ribchester	Wantirna South
2	R. Jenzen	Croydon North
2	D. Dans	Croydon North
2	A. King	Warrandyte
2	D. Roe	North Ringwood
2	B. Fitzgibbon	North Ringwood
2	P. Raeck	St Andrews
2	N. Schulte	Knox City
2	R. Cornell	Parkwood
2	R. Walton	Parkwood
2	S. Pay	Knox Gardens
2	A. Doherty	Croydon

### CENTURIES SCORED IN EACH GRADE

CH1	21	B 1	16
CH2	22	B 2	13
CH3	28	B 3	17
CH4	31	C 1	13
A 1	13	C 2	36
A 2	25	C 3	22
A 3	34		
A 4	19		

TOTAL            310

## BOWLING

### EIGHT WICKETS IN ONE INNINGS

GRADE	NAME	CLUB	PERFORMANCE
A2	P. Cann	St Andrews	8/36
B1	R. Marget	Knox Gardens	8/39
A4	M. Kessler	South Warrandyte	8/40
CH1	A. Peters	Ainslie Park	8/42
A1	K. Bardsley	Scoresby	8/42
C1	T. Moran	St Andrews	8/44
CH1	G. Gribbin	Wantirna South	8/45
CH3	I. Wilton	Lilydale	8/45
CH2	M. Davis	Warrandyte	8/47
CH2	M. DeHoon	Mooroolbark	8/50
B2	B. Haines	Croydon Hockeyers	8/50
CH2	P. Brady	Croydon North	8/84
C3	C. Percy	St Andrews	8/105
A1	G. Chamberlain	North Ringwood	8/108
C3	B. McKay	Wantirna South	8/126

### 10 WICKETS OR MORE IN ONE MATCH

GRADE	NAME	CLUB	PERFORMANCE
B3	K. Brickley	Olinda	13/66
B1	R. Marget	Knox Gardens	11/58
A2	G. Gardam	Montrose	10/29
C2	K. Grant	Kilsyth	11/32
CH2	T. Leddra	Mooroolbark	10/79
CH2	C. Snaidero	Warrandyte	10/90
CH1	A. Peters	Ainslie Park	10/94
C2	P. McDiarmid	Croydon Hockeyers	10/98
A3	B Mc Groarty	Chirnside Park	10/99

### 7 WICKETS OR MORE ON TWO OCCASIONS

NAME	CLUB
Brett Fisher	Lilydale
Rod Marget	Knox Gardens

### 6 WICKETS OR MORE IN ONE INNINGS

CH1	24[6]	B1	10[6]
CH2	10[7]	B2	6[5]
CH3	7[3]	B3	7[3]
CH4	14[4]	C1	5[1]
A1	12[2]	C2	14[5]
A2	19[9]	C3	12[3]
A3	14[3]		
A4	12[2]		

# FINAL LADDERS

## CHANDLER 1

Croydon North	132.8
Ferntree Gully	117.2
Wantirna Sth	116.1
Mooroolbark	110.5
Parkwood	94.6
Norwood	94.0
Warrandyte	93.8
Kilsyth	85.7
Wonga Park	83.2
Ainslie Park	78.7
Lilydale	65.9
Croydon United	44.7

## A 1

Chirnside Park	123.7
Sth Croydon	100.8
East Ringwood	99.1
St Andrews	94.0
Nth Ringwood	92.4
Sth Ringwood	83.7
Bayswater Park	83.3
Wantirna	82.6
Montrose	79.1
Templeton	75.7
Scoresby	73.0
Sth Warrandyte	70.0

## B 1

Knox Gardens	142.7
Aquinas	137.5
Olinda	120.6
Knox City	119.2
Eastfield	91.6
Croydon	
Hockeyers	82.6
Glen Park	81.3
Ringwood	73.3

## C 1

Templeton	107.2
Wantirna Sth	103.9
St Andrews	101.7
Ferntree Gully	95.1
Knox Gardens	92.5
East Ringwood	90.9
Boronia	79.8
Bayswater Park	51.0
Knox City	37.5
Scoresby	29.7

## CHANDLER 2

Ainslie Park	121.8
Ferntree Gully	120.2
Kilsyth	115.2
Warrandyte	109.8
Mooroolbark	107.4
Wonga Park	104.7
Norwood	99.6
Wantirna Sth	92.2
Croydon North	75.6
Parkwood	71.6
Lilydale	62.4
Croydon United	51.9

## A 2

St Andrews	141.2
Templeton	113.8
Sth Warrandyte	108.3
Sth Ringwood	104.2
Sth Croydon	96.5
East Ringwood	95.7
Nth Ringwood	95.0
Chirnside Park	86.5
Bayswater Park	75.8
Montrose	72.2
Wantirna	62.9
Scoresby	54.9

## B 2

Knox Gardens	132.4
Croydon	
Hockeyers	132.1
Glen Park	103.6
Knox City	86.8
Aquinas	84.7
Croydon	69.5
Eastfield	53.0
Olinda	45.9

## C 2

Wonga Park	136.5
Kilsyth	121.4
Croydon Nth	112.8
Parkwood	109.5
Sth Warrandyte	108.2
Croydon	
Hockeyers	106.1
Nth Ringwood	95.3
Ainslie Park	88.5
Mooroolbark	69.1
Warrandyte	67.9
Croydon United	26.4
Sth Croydon	24.6

## CHANDLER 3

Ferntree Gully	107.0
Croydon North	102.5
Mooroolbark	99.9
Wonga Park	97.8
Kilsyth	96.6
Wantirna South	86.1
Warrandyte	71.7
Ainslie Park	69.8
Norwood	69.2
Lilydale	53.1
Parkwood	37.7
Croydon United	33.8

## A 3

East Ringwood	122.9
St Andrews	104.1
Montrose	101.3
Templeton	95.4
Sth Croydon	91.5
Bayswater Park	89.8
Nth Ringwood	81.9
Scoresby	57.5
Sth Warrandyte	54.2
Sth Ringwood	50.0
Wantirna	45.5
Chirnside Park	38.3

## B 3

Knox Gardens	128.0
Croydon	
Hockeyers	121.9
Knox City	112.3
Wantirna Sth	93.3
Olinda	83.3
Eastfield	76.8
Glen Park	48.0
St. Andrews	29.3

## C 3

Wantirna Sth	144.4
Wonga Park	120.0
Boronia	117.3
Parkwood	91.2
Ferntree Gully	82.6
St Andrews	74.9
Kilsyth	71.8
Templeton	57.2
Croydon	
Hockeyers	48.7
Knox Gardens	39.5

## CHANDLER 4

Lilydale	112.0
Wonga Park	111.0
Warrandyte	99.1
Kilsyth	93.2
Wantirna Sth	89.2
Croydon Nth	85.7
Ferntree Gully	69.2
Mooroolbark	60.6
Norwood	59.1
Parkwood	51.4
Ainslie Park	45.3
Croydon United	28.0

## A4

East Ringwood	122.9
Kilsyth	121.7
Templeton	107.4
Baywater Park	102.6
North Ringwood	99.7
St Andrews	83.9
Sth Croydon	73.0
Montrose	57.1
Sth Ringwood	51.1
Wantirna	48.1
Scoresby	43.1
Sth Warrandyte	32.7

## A COMPARISON

	92/93	93/94	94/95
CENTURIES	160	247	310
6 WICKETS +	139	194	166
200+	1	4	8
MULTIPLE CENTURIES (number of players)	11	22	29
8 WICKETS +	9	18	15
7 WICKETS + (more than once)	1	5	1
HIGHEST INDIVIDUAL SCORE	201	242	255
BEST BOWLING	8/35	10/37	8/36
REGISTERED PLAYERS	6495*	6549*	6519*
NUMBER OF TEAMS	288*	306*	287*

\* Includes under- age teams and registered players

### VOTES OBTAINED BY EACH CLUB IN FAIREST AND BEST AWARDS

<u>Bill Dean Medal</u>		<u>Clive Fairbairn Medal</u>		<u>Steve Pascoe Medal</u>	
Wantirna Sth	48	Chirnside Park	44	Olinda	57
Croydon North	45	Sth Croydon	38	Knox Gardens	47
Mooroolbark	44	Nth Ringwood	35	Knox City	42
Ferntree Gully	37	St Andrews	34	Aquinas	38
Norwood	32	Templeton	34	Eastfield	34
Parkwood	32	Wantirna	34	Ringwood	33
Warrandyte	31	Sth Ringwood	34	Croydon	
Wonga Park	31	Scoresby	33	Hockeyers	31
Lilydale	30	Sth Warrandyte	32	Glen Park	30
Kilsyth	24	Montrose	29		
Ainslie Park	23	East Ringwood	25		
Croydon United	19	Bayswater Park	24		

### GRAND FINALISTS 1994/95

		PREMIER	RUNNER-UP
CHANDLER	1	Croydon North	Wantirna South
	2	Kilsyth	Warrandyte
	3	Wonga Park	Croydon North
	4	Warrandyte	Kilsyth
A GRADE	1	St Andrews	South Croydon
	2	Templeton	St Andrews
	3	Templeton	St Andrews
	4	East Ringwood	Templeton
B GRADE	1	Aquinas	Knox Gardens
	2	Knox Gardens	Croydon Hockeyers
	3	Croydon Hockeyers	Knox Gardens
C DIVISION	1	Ferntree Gully	St Andrews
	2	Parkwood	Croydon North
	3	Wonga Park	Wantirna South
VETERANS	1	Croydon Hockeyers	South Warrandyte
	2	Croydon North	Warrandyte
	3	Bayswater Park	Montrose

### MAJOR GRADE PREMIERS 1981/82 - 1994/95

	CHANDLER 1	A 1	B 1
81/82	Warrandyte	Sth Croydon	Bayswater Park
82/83	Croydon United	Sth 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	Sth Croydon	Knox Gardens
89/90	Croydon North	Croydon United	Westwood
90/91	Croydon North	Wonga Park	Knox City
91/92	Croydon North	Wantirna Sth	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

## PREMIERSHIPS WON (ALL GRADES)

1966/67 - 1994/95

WANTIRNA SOUTH	18	[2]
CROYDON NORTH	16	[7]
ST ANDREWS	16	[4]
EAST RINGWOOD	15	[4]
KILSYTH	15	[1]
VERMONT	15	[0]
AINSLIE PARK	14	[2]
MOOROOLBARK	13	[6]
WONGA PARK	12	[3]
MT EVELYN	12	[2]
MONTROSE	11	[3]
WARRANTYTE	10	[3]
BAYSWATER PARK	10	[1]
NORTH RINGWOOD	9	[3]
GLEN PARK	8	[3]
NORWOOD	8	[2]
CROYDON UNITED	7	[3]
WANTIRNA	7	[2]
TEMPLETON	6	[1]
LILYDALE	6	[0]
SCORESBY	5	[1]
PARKWOOD	5	[2]
CROYDON HOCKEYERS	5	[1]
STH WARRANTYTE	4	[2]
BORONIA	4	[0]
AQUINAS	3	[3]
CHIRNSIDE PARK	3	[2]
KNOX CITY	3	[1]
STH CROYDON	3	[1]
STH RINGWOOD	3	[1]
CROYDON	3	[0]
OXLEY	2	[2]
EASTFIELD	2	[1]
FERNTREE GULLY	2	[1]
KNOX GARDENS	2	[1]

[Figures in brackets indicate 1st eleven pennants]

## CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

1.	WONGA PARK	10.42
2.	Wantirna South	10.02
3.	Kilsyth	9.92
4.	East Ringwood	9.69
5.	Ferntree Gully	9.68
6.	Croydon North	9.65

### POSITION OF YOUR TEAM ROUND BY ROUND

#### CHANDLER 1

TEAM After round >>>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Croydon North	4	5	2	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ferntree Gully	1	4	1	1	2	2	2	4	3	2	2
Wantirna South	6	2	6	6	5	3	3	3	4	3	3
Mooroolbark	11	7	5	7	8	6	6	5	2	4	4
Parkwood	3	6	3	3	6	4	4	2	5	6	5
Norwood	5	1	4	2	3	5	5	8	9	8	6
Warrandyte	8	8	10	5	4	8	8	7	6	5	7
Kilsyth	10	10	8	10	10	7	7	6	7	7	8
Wonga Park	2	3	7	9	7	10	10	10	10	9	9
Ainslie Park	12	9	11	8	9	9	9	9	8	10	10
Lilydale	9	11	9	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
Croydon United	7	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12

#### A GRADE 1

TEAM After round >>>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Chimside Park	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
South Croydon	12	11	9	8	4	2	2	2	2	2	2
East Ringwood	5	4	4	1	3	9	9	6	5	4	3
St Andrews	2	2	3	6	8	7	7	5	3	3	4
North Ringwood	3	3	5	2	2	3	3	8	9	6	5
South Ringwood	4	5	2	3	5	4	4	4	4	5	5
Bayswater Park	6	6	8	10	9	12	12	10	8	10	6
Wantirna	10	10	12	12	12	11	11	7	7	7	8
Montrose	7	7	6	9	6	5	5	9	10	8	9
Templeton	11	9	7	5	7	6	6	3	6	9	10
Scoresby	9	12	10	7	10	8	8	11	11	11	11
St Warrandyte	8	8	11	11	11	10	10	12	12	12	12

#### B GRADE 1

TEAM After round >>>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Knox Gardens	1	2	6	3	2	1	1	2	1	1	1
Aquinas	2	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	3	2	2
Olinda	3	3	2	2	3	4	4	4	4	3	3
Knox City	8	7	7	6	4	3	3	3	2	4	4
Eastfield	5	6	4	5	6	6	6	6	6	5	5
Croydon Hockeyers	4	5	3	4	5	5	5	5	5	6	6
Glen Park	7	8	8	8	7	8	8	7	7	8	7
Ringwood	6	4	5	7	8	7	7	8	8	7	8

## **FINALS ROUND UP**

Croydon North after a scare against Mooroolbark in the semi-final journeyed to East Ringwood as warm favourites to take out the coveted Chandler Shield pennant against a determined Wantirna South who defied the odds and the tipsters in its great win against Ferntree Gully in the semi-final. The loss of early wickets put the Southerners on the defensive and despite a fight back by their middle and late order batsmen, the final score of 151 did not appear to be enough against the powerful Croydon North batting. This proved to be correct and in the end Croydon North comfortably won its fifth premiership in the last 10 seasons including four of the past six.

St Andrews and South Croydon journeyed to Mullum Reserve to do battle for the double prize of the A Grade pennant and automatic promotion to Chandler in 1995/96. South Croydon were quietly confident as they had beaten the Saints during the home and home games. However St Andrews batting strength found its best form and a high first innings total put the team in a winning position. South Croydon lost early wickets from which they were unable to fully recover and premiership celebrations were held at Manson Reserve.

Knox Gardens were favourites to take out the B Grade premiership in their battle against Aquinas and when their powerful attack restricted Aquinas to 159 the favourite backers were counting their winnings. No one could anticipate what followed as Knox Gardens were bowled out for an astonishing 37, which is as far as can be ascertained the lowest score in a final in the past 40 years.

In a bowlers final the Chandler 2 match between Kilsyth and Warrandyte wavered between both teams almost from the first ball. When the final Warrandyte wicket fell late on the second day Kilsyth had scored a meritorious win in its first season back in the Chandler grade since 1981/92.

In A3 the Wonga Park bowlers set the scene for premiership celebrations when they dismissed the strong Croydon North batting line up for a most disappointing 130. The Park batsmen, without at any stage dominating the game, were always doing enough to ensure another premiership flag will adorn the walls at Wonga Park.

If the Chandler 2 game was close the Chandler 4 match between the same two clubs was a "heart attack" stuff. Kilsyth lost its wicket 3 runs short of the Warrandyte total to allow the "Dyters" some revenge for the earlier result. Warrandyte's win gave it successive flags in this grade.



Templeton and St Andrews faced each other to determine supremacy in the battle for the A 2 flag. In a high standard game which also had the odd lively moment or two, Templeton were able to outlast the Saints to score a significant victory.

The same two clubs faced each other in A 3 and when Templeton were dismissed for only 112, it seemed to be just a formality for the St Andrews batsmen to ensure yet another premiership for the club. The early part of the innings did nothing to suggest anything else until a sensational collapse saw the side dismissed for 89.

Templeton were looking for another premiership in A4 when they faced East Ringwood at the picturesque Kilsyth oval. However the Easterner's bowlers were all fired up and after dismissing the opposition for only 87, their batsmen, their batsmen showed how it was done and a most convincing victory was achieved which will see a further pennant unfurled at East Ringwood.

Knox Gardens may have been disappointed following the demise of their first eleven but a great fighting effort by their second eleven allowed them to score a close but convincing victory over a very competitive Croydon Hockeyers team.

Hockeyers and Knox Gardens faced each other in A3 and when the "Gardens" hit up 197, they felt very confident, but the Croydon batsmen found their best form and it was a delighted group of Hockeyers players and supporters who made the journey from Walker Reserve to Silcock Reserve to commence the celebrations.

A magnificent rear-guard action by the lower half of the Ferntree Gully C1 batting saw it snatch victory from a disbelieving St Andrews team who looked certain to take victory for the better part of the game.

In a match which swung from one team to another for the greater part of the two days looked to be over when Croydon North bowlers took quick wickets to leave Parkwood in a perilous position. However in another fine recovery which seemed to be a feature of these finals saw Parkwood grab victory from the jaws of defeat.

In the C3 final Wonga Park were always doing the right thing and at the end of the game the scores indicated a substantial victory over Wantirna South.

*Lindsay Trollope*

# IT HAPPENED THIS YEAR

## 400no

In 1956 a 13 year old Mooroolbark boy decided to take up cricket as his summer sport. In Round 10 of this season Bob Gatherum played his 400th game for the Mooroolbark Club. In the intervening years Bob has rightly been given the title of Mr. Mooroolbark. He has held most positions on the committee with his work as Junior Administrator in the early to mid eighties probably being the highlight. Bob captained Mooroolbark to two premierships in the lower grades and was a member of three other premiership teams including the 1971/72 Chandler Shield. The Club held a special function for Bob and the rooms were packed to over-flowing.

## Not too many LBW decisions

Stuart Newey reached a most significant milestone during the season when he umpired his 300th R.D.C.A. game. This followed a long playing career with North Ringwood at which club Stuart and the late Ken Dunham formed a fearsome partnership. The Association recognised Stuart's magnificent performance with a presentation at the Annual Dinner.

## No Light problems for Lilydale

The Lilydale under 16 team were invited to be the sole R.D.C.A. representative in the Yarra Valley Association's twilight competition. They reached the final with significant victories over well fancied opponents and in light which could only be described as poor, the Lilydale batsmen rose to the task and with a six off the last ball of the final snatched a thrilling 4 run victory.

## An Inspiration to All

In Round 2 Leigh Walles of Ainslie Park bowled over 19 overs with 8 maidens in taking 4 wickets for 34 runs in Chandler 4. Excellent figures at any time but 7 days after this performance Leigh had a leg amputated due to cancer. Russell Davison, Secretary of the club said Leigh's courage in the face of adversity has proven an inspiration to the whole club.

## Partnerships Galore

Kilsyth Club recorded the incredible amount of 28 century partnerships for the season, including two double centuries.

In round 6, B3 game between Croydon Hockeyers and Eastfield, Hockeyers Glenn Spencer and Simon Gibson added 290 for the 2nd wicket. It was a one-day game.

Brett Fisher and Greg Mc Dillum, playing in the Lilydale Chandler 4 team produced a club record partnership when they added 285 for the third wicket in the game against Croydon United. Brett then followed up with 7/24 with the ball.

Other outstanding partnerships were recorded as follows:-

Wonga Park	C3	5th wicket	I. Everitt/H. Bromley	240
Kilsyth	CH2	6th wicket	Darren Kelly/Daniel Unternahrer	225
Kilsyth	CH4	4th wicket	Matthew Merrett/ Matthew Mc Combe	222
Norwood	CH2	2nd wicket	C. Montague/M Glassborow	200

\* The above information on century partnerships comes from the 17 clubs who responded to the request for statistical and other information. There were 86 century partnerships recorded. Taking the above as an average for all clubs this would probably mean that approximately 150 - 175 such partnerships were scored during the season.

### A Man in a Hurry

In a round 10 Chandler 4 game against Ainslie Park, Wonga Park player H. Mc Lean scored 80 runs off 26 balls ( a run rate of 300 runs per 100 balls).

### No Singles for David

In Chandler 2 Ainslie Park's David Tucker strode to the wicket against Wonga Park and when he was dismissed, he had 139 runs against his name in the scorebook. 84 of the runs were scored in sixes.

### Doubling Up

Popular Wonga Park Secretary and energetic Post Office official, Shawn Everitt featured in a partnership of 153 in the Chandler 4 game against Mooroolbark and then again starred in a further partnership in the team's next game against Kilsyth. In amazing coincidence the partnership totalled 153.

### Sticky Fingers (or Gloves).

Lilydale's classy wicketkeeper, Pierre Schumann had a day out against Norwood in the Chandler 1 clash when he secured 7 dismissals (6 caught & 1 stumping).

### Croydon North says Thanks

Although not a veteran in age, Doug Pedler is a veteran in the years of service he has given Croydon North and during the season, the club held a special function for Doug to honour that service. Amongst the top fast bowlers in the Association for many years he has played an important part in the success enjoyed by the club's first eleven over the past ten years. Doug has also been a regular member of the R.D.C.A. representative teams.

### Loves the First Match

For the past three seasons Kilsyth opening batsman Damien Ralston has scored a century in his first game of the season.

### At Last

Croydon Hockeyers premiership in B 3 was the club's 5th senior premiership, but the first since 1977/78.

### A Fine Comeback

Brett Haines was one player Hockeyers were looking at to provide them with a big score in their B 2 semi-final clash against Glen Park. Brett was dismissed for a first ball duck, but when handed the ball on the second day of the match took 8/50 off 22 overs, including the last four wickets to tie the match and enable his team to advance to the final.

## *By the way*

- *Rod Marget of Knox Gardens won his 5th Fairest and Best medal when he took the Steve Pascoe Medal*
- *Croydon United became the 8th club to return to A Grade after winning promotion from that grade in the period from season 1981/82*
- *Of the 14 teams which headed the ladder at the completion of the home and home series, only 3 went on to win the premiership, the lowest number since the number of grades totalled ten or more. (in 1993/94 it was 8/15). Only seven actually played off in their respective grade final.*
- *The difference in premiership points between the top and bottom teams in Chandler 1 was 88.1 points, just slightly more than the 86.5 of the previous season.*
- *This season saw me complete 10 years as General Secretary. Of the thirteen people who sat on the Executive in the 85/86 season, four are still on the committee today. In the 10 year period we have had thirty two people who have served on the Executive for periods ranging from two months to ten years.*
- *Three teams headed the ladder at different stages of the season in Chandler 1 while 2 & 3 reached those positions respectively in A 1 & B1. In relation to the positions in the four, 5 clubs did not reach the coveted positions at any stage in the season in Chandler 1, a similar number in A 1, while only one club did not reach the four at any time in B 1.*

## ANOTHER LOOK AT THE PAST

- *Ringwood holds the record for the most successive premierships in the top grade with 6 from 1951/52 to 1956/57*
- *In the period from 1932/33 to 1942/43 Kilsyth were premiers on six occasions. In fact Kilsyth could almost be called the Collingwood of the R.D.C.A. In the first 40 years of the competition the club took out 11 top grade pennants, but is still waiting for their 12th.*
- *In 1937/38, the rules were amended to make it compulsory that the top grade players must play in their whites (or creams). Assume other grade players were able to turn up in any gear.*
- *In 1980/81 the computerisation of the Association records begun. Due to a faulty program, all the averages provided to clubs at the end of the season were incorrect.*
- *Special rules for the Under 12 grades were first introduced in 1976/77*
- *The Champion Club award was introduced in 1981/82*
- *The Fairest and Best Medals were awarded in 1977/78 with Tony White from the Lilydale Club being the initial recipient of the Bill Dean Award.*
- *In 1977/78 season Ian Callen became the first R.D.C.A. player to be chosen to represent Australia at test level.*
- *The number of senior registrations passed 2000 for the first time in 1975/76.*

## THE PRESS WAS PRESENT

Thanks are extended to the Post and Leader Groups for their generally excellent coverage given to R.D.C.A. games during the past season. Perhaps the only disappointing aspect was that a couple of the areas in which there are many players and supporters of the Association, the local papers covering those areas did not provide results of the games.

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