



### **D.M.(David) Beatty - 2002/2003**

David's involvement with Montrose Cricket Club started as a 12-year-old in 1963 when he played in the Under 16's competition. By the 1966/67 season, his last in the Under 16's, he was also playing senior cricket and was fortunate enough to be a member of that year's First Eleven Premiership team. In the following year, he joined the club committee and became an RDCA Delegate for the club. At around this stage of his career, David represented the RDCA in the Under 21 Wright Shield representative team for three years, one of which resulted in a premiership. David's playing career exceeded 30 years.

During his time at Montrose, David filled most Committee positions, including Social Secretary, Treasurer, Secretary (for around 10 years) and President (for about 5 years). He captained the Second and Third Elevens and won various club awards as well as winning the RDCA C Grade bowling award in 1978/79. David was awarded Life Membership of Montrose Cricket Club in 1990 and his service and support for the club continue today.

In the mid-1990's David was asked to join the Board of the then CUOV, later to become the current Victorian Metropolitan Cricket Union (VMCU). He was initially the Minute Secretary and within a couple of years he took on the role of Chairman and Director of the Outer East Metro Region in its inaugural year. The role of Chair of the Outer East Region continued for 19 years until the Region ceased to exist as a result of a Cricket Victoria re-structure. At the VMCU David also assumed responsibility around 2001 for running the Wright Shield competition and the Victorian Metro representative sides that come from that competition. In season 2011/12 the VMCU awarded David Life Membership.

David has had a lengthy 'career' with the RDCA. He started as a Selector of representative teams in the late 1980's and this led to a position on the Association Executive where his main role was as the Manager of the Under 21 Wright Shield team for some 15 years. Many years of service on the Executive, in particular on the Senior Operations Committee followed as did a role as the Association's Investigation Officer. David was deservedly awarded Life Membership of the Association in 2002/03. From the 2010/11 season, a senior competition has been named after David and the best Under 21 Player receives the "David Beatty Award"