

**RINGWOOD AND DISTRICT
CRICKET ASSOCIATION.**

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ANNUAL REPORT AND
BALANCE SHEET.

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SEASON 1926-27.
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ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. Reading of Minutes.
2. Correspondence.
3. Report Delegate V.C.C.L.
4. Secretary's Report and Balance Sheet.
5. Election of Office-bearers.
6. Adoption of Rules.
7. General Business.

Mr. E. J. ... (honorary secretary) presented his annual report, which...

"The 1926-7 season was notable in that the pastime of cricket showed marked development, and attracted a much greater interest. Fourteen clubs affiliated with the association during the season. Cordial welcomes were extended to the Bayswater and Montrose clubs on their re-entrance into the association. In all 20 teams engaged in competition for the Miles shield and Association pennant. Of these fourteen competed in the 'A' and six for the 'B' grade. In the interests of the pastime, and by reason of the large number of surplus players who were unable to obtain a game, it was decided to organize a 'B' grade competition, the prize for which was an association pennant, won by the Croydon club. The success of the venture assures for it a permanent place in the Association. Mr. G. Swindon is to be congratulated as the originator of the idea and for his services in fostering the movement. For the first time a part was taken in the Country Cricket Week contests. In association with the Mountain District Association on a 5-6 basis, the team reached semi-final honors. To Mr. Roger Webber is due the credit of securing the entrance of the association into this grade cricket. Inter-association

matches were played against the Mountain District, in both of which the Ringwood Association easily excelled. In view of this it was difficult to understand why the former should have had six players to Ringwood's five in the Country Week fixtures. Against the Reporter Association honors were even. The 'A' grade went to the Ringwood Association, whilst the Reporter Association were successful in the 'B' grade.

"I had the honor and pleasure of representing this association at the Reporter smoke social, receiving the 'A' grade pennant presented for competition by Mr. Kent (president of the Reporter Association). The Ringwood club having been thrice premiers, obtained final possession of the Miles shield, which was presented in 1919. Hearty congratulations are tendered to this club on their success. The batting average was secured by Dr. Albiston, of the Churches club, with 57, whilst that for bowling went to Mr. G. Chandler, of the Boronia club, with 6.83. Mr. W. Smith, Ringwood, was a close runner-up with 6.89. Mr. R. Lumsden, Boronia, was the best all-rounder with batting, 46.1, and bowling 8.9. So far as I can ascertain this constitutes a record for the association. A perusal of the club averages will convince that the performances of most players have improved with marked benefit to the

game. Ten centuries were made, whilst 20 bowlers finished the season with averages of between 6 and 10.

"The annual dance was most successful, both socially and financially. But as a re-union of clubs it did not fulfil its object, for five clubs were unrepresented. A credit balance of £2 4/6 resulted.

"From experience of the rules, I am of opinion that they sadly needed revision. With this in view a special meeting took place during the past month. A draft set of rules was drawn up, and by decision referred for your observation and adoption at the annual meeting of the Association. Financially, the Association is sound with a credit balance of £16 3/7.

"To the president I tender my thanks for ready help, and to the delegates for the continued confidence and loyal co-operation in the duties of secretary, an office which I have found a pleasure. We are much indebted also to the ladies for willing assistance at the annual dance, and on whom much of the success depended. To those who helped with the ground arrangements at the final matches, and to the honorary umpires, who performed most satisfactorily an unenviable task, we extend thanks which are also tendered to the honorary auditor, Mr. J. W. Barrett, and the Press.

BALANCE SHEET.

The balance sheet, duly audited by Mr. J. W. Barrett, was submitted as follows:—

Receipts.

Balance, August, 1926, £3 14/10;
Associated Clubs' annual subscriptions—A £23, B £3; donations, £5 5/; rule book advertisements, £8 5/; gate receipts (finals), £15 7/9; balance, annual dance, £2 4/6; sale of balls, £2; bus fares, £1 1/; 2/ levy on 13 clubs, £1 6/; fines, 10/; presentation fund balance, 15/.
Total, £66 9/1.

Payments.

Printing and stationery, £16 13/6; cricket balls, £11 3/; bus hire £3; catering, £5 8/6; trophies, £4 19/; pennant (B Grade), £3 10/9 hire of grounds (final matches), £1 7/; hire of hall (Association meetings), £1 5/6; affiliation fee (V.C.C.L. 1927-28), £1 1/; lettering Reporter pennant B Grade, 10/6; stamps, stationery, etc., £4 8/4; cash in hand, 5d.; bank balance—(guarantee fund: 14 clubs at 5/-, £3 10/; less forfeits: Fern Tree Gully 5/, Rovers 5/ (10/-) —£3; presentation fund, 15/; general account, £9 6/7—£13 1/7). Total, £66 9/1.

Liabilities.

Account outstanding (G. Chapman), 15/; excess of assets over liabilities, £16 3/7. Total, £16 18/7.

Assets.

Bank balance, 31st August, 1927, £13 1/7; balls on hand, £2 5/; Rovers C.C., outstanding, £1 12/.
Total, £16 18/7.

RINGWOOD DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR SEASON 1926-1927.

RECEIPTS

Balance - August 1926
 Associated Clubs Annual Subscriptions - A B
 Donations
 Club Book Advertisements
 Club Records - Finals
 Balance Annual Dance
 Club Book
 Levy on 13 Clubs
 Presentation Fund balance

3-14-10
 23-0-0
 3-0-0
 5-5-0
 8-7-9
 15-4-6
 2-0-0
 1-1-0
 1-6-0
 -10-0
 -15-0

PAYMENTS

Printing & Stationery
 Cricket Balls
 Bus Hire
 Catering
 Trophies
 Pennant, B Grade
 Hire of Grounds - Final matches
 Hire of Hall - Association Meetings
 Affiliation fee - V.C.C.L. 1927-28
 Lettering Reporter Pennant B Grade
 Stamps, Stationery etc.
 Cash in hand
 Bank Balance
 GARANTER FUND
 14 Clubs @ 5/-
 less forfeits
 F. T. Gully
 Rovers
 Presentation Fund
 General Account

16-13-6
 11-3-0
 3-0-0
 5-8-0
 4-19-0
 3-10-9
 1-7-6
 1-5-6
 -10-6
 4-8-4

3-0-0
 -15-0
 9-6-7

13-1-7

£ 66-9-1

26TH AUGUST 1927.

BALANCE SHEET

LIABILITIES

Account outstanding (G. Chapman)
 Excess of Assets over Liabilities

15-0
 16-3-7

£ 16-18-

ASSETS

Bank Balance 31st August, 1927
 Balls on hand
 Rovers C.C., outstanding

13-1-7
 2-5-0
 1-12-0

£ 16-18-7