

Middle Harbour District Cricket Club.

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E. P. WOOLCOTT.

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C. B-COCHRANE.

Hon. Secretary, Wednesday Team :

E. P. WOOLCOTT.

General Committee :

D. A. GEE, G. DUNLOP, G. LOWE, L. M. TRIGGS, F. B. ANDERSON, D. VERNON, E. BULL, J. OLLIVER, D. OGILVY.

Selection Committees :

A Team—R. A. OXLADE, E. BULL, E. P. WOOLCOTT.

B Team—K. WALTON, J. OLLIVIER, R. BAKER.

C Team—D. VERNON, E. MITCHELL, G. DUNLOP.

Ground Committee :

R. A. OXLADE, E. P. WOOLCOTT, C. B-COCHRANE.

Auditors :

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ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET

To be submitted for adoption at the Eighth Annual Meeting to be held at the Pier Hotel, Manly, on Thursday evening, 4th July, 1912.

To the Members of the Middle Harbour District Cricket Club—

Gentlemen,—

The Committee have much pleasure in presenting for your consideration the eighth Annual Report.

The First Eleven showed a slight improvement on the performances of the previous season, their record being 11 matches played—3 won, 7 lost, and 1 drawn. No less than six of the last season's team were unavailable, and in consequence the Club had to call upon players from the lower grade, and it is pleasing to note that they performed very creditably and displayed great keenness, although suffering several successive defeats in the earlier engagements. Towards the end of the season they made a much better showing, winning two matches in succession.

The batting average was won by B. Kortlang, the well-known international and interstate player, who proved a most valuable acquisition to the team, with an average of 73.66. D. A. Gee (who captained the team) showed a great improvement on last year's form, and, besides scoring the only century for the side (134 against Redfern), secured the highest aggregate, namely, 555 runs, at an average of 34.68. E. Bull, E. P. Woolcott and G. Lowe also had aggregates of over 300 runs, the first-named playing a fine innings for 94 against Gordon. J. Hodgson's effort, namely, 40 and 53 not out against Balmain (when a three point victory was secured) deserves special mention.

The bowling was good throughout the season. J. Randell 41 wickets at 18.29, K. Walton 18 wickets at 19.22, and H. P. Woolcott 27 wickets at 20.33 displayed very good form, K. Walton's performances being especially creditable, as he was a recruit from the second eleven.

F. B. Anderson displayed marked improvement behind the wickets.

The ground fielding of the team was good, but the catching faulty at times.

J. Randell was selected to represent the State against Queensland and Victoria, and performed very well indeed. G. Lowe and H. P. Woolcott were selected to play with a Combined First Grade Team against Dr. O'Hara's Combined Country Team at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

The Second Eleven, under the captaincy of J. Ollivier, took part in eleven competition matches, winning five and losing six. They scored 3039 runs for 182 wickets (averaging 16.7) against 2674 runs scored by their opponents for 154 wickets (averaging 17.3).

E. Breedon, who put up a record Second Grade performance of scoring two centuries in one match against Gordon, heads the batting averages with 40.2. He is followed by C. B. Cochrane with 33.4. This player also secured the aggregate (401) for the side. E. Mitchell 24. and F. McMahon 21.6 are next in order. No other batsman on the side averaged over twenty.

J. Ollivier was the most consistent bowler of the side, and captured the greatest number of wickets, namely, 28, at a cost of 13.0 runs each. B. Edkins (average 14.4), R. Baker (18.5), and E. Woolcott were the only other bowlers taking 10 or more wickets during the season.

The performance of N. Plomley is worthy of special notice. As wicketkeeper he made 9 catches and stumped 7 batsmen.

As a result of improved fielding the bowling averages were considerably better than those of the previous season, when 15.2 was the best. During this season four of the bowlers had averages below 15, and these satisfactory performances were brought about by the assistance the bowlers received from the fieldsmen. It is important to note that 50 wickets were dismissed by being caught.

The Third Eleven did not have a very successful season, although much enthusiasm was displayed by the members, and in many instances excellent performances were registered, although owing to weak fielding these were not crowned with success.

The batting average was won by J. P. Hill with an average of 61.75. This player put up a record for Third Grade by scoring a century in each innings against Paddington. D. Ogilvy, average 24, and C. Ollivier, average 22, were the most successful of the other batsmen.

G. Scales was first in the bowling with an average of 6.91. E. Mitchell, B. Bowden, F. Tracy and D. Vernon also performed creditably.

The absence of a good wicketkeeper was severely felt until the last few matches, when J. Oldman filled the position with credit.

The Wednesday Team, as usual, had many enjoyable matches, and were very successful throughout the season.

Practice.—The Committee note with pleasure that the practice was well attended during the whole of the season, and trust that the same keenness will be displayed in the incoming season, but feel that it is their duty to urge the members to pay special attention to fielding and catching practice.

General Remarks.—A movement was instituted among the sporting bodies of Manly to endow a cot at The Manly Cottage Hospital, and our representatives at the Meeting desire to

A new and up-to-date scoring board has been erected by the Manly Council, and has proved of great value.

Special mention must be made of the generous donation of £17 10s. made by the Manly Municipal Council in remitting the back rent due to them by the Club, and your Committee desire to tender the Council its best thanks.

As usual, the Club provided afternoon tea throughout the season, and this was much appreciated by players and visitors generally. Mrs. E. P. Woolcott and Miss Hurst were in charge, and were assisted by the Misses Bolt, Patrick, Garden, Vallack and Oakes, and to these ladies the Committee desire to return their heartiest thanks.

To mark the exceptional performances of E. Breedon and J. P. Hill in scoring a century in each innings in the second and third grade respectively, honor caps were presented to them by the Club. The Scores were:—E. Breedon, first innings 104, second innings 111, v. Gordon II; J. P. Hill, first innings 114, second nnings 112, v. Paddington III. This is the first occasion that performances of this nature have been made in the minor grades.

A presentation of a case of cutlery was made by the Members of the Club to the Honorary Secretary, R. A. Oxlade, on the occasion of his marriage.

The General Committee held 11 meetings. The attendances were as follows:—R. A. Oxlade, 11; C. B-Cochrane, 11; G. Lowe, 11; G. Dunlop, 9; E. P. Woolcott, 8; L. M. Triggs, 8; D. Vernon, 8; J. Ollivier, 8; E. Bull, 6; D. Ogilvy (elected 2/11/11), 4; D. A. Gee (elected 7/12/11), 4; F. B. Anderson (elected 7/12/11), 4; H. Cropper (resigned 7/12/11), 2; H. Hawken (resigned 7/12/11), 2; W. W. Chapman (resigned 2/11/11), 0.

Delegates.—R. A. Oxlade and L. M. Triggs attended the meetings of the New South Wales Cricket Association regularly, and Mr. Oxlade was appointed to the Grade Committee of the Association.

The Thanks of the **Committee** are due to Mr. D. Hogan, Town Clerk, of Manly, for the unvarying courtesy extended to the Club Officials at all times, to the Vice-Presidents, Scorers and Officials of the Club for their support, to the Umpires who attended the various matches, to Mr. E. Lincoln, of the "Manly Daily," for his notices of the Club's doings during the season, and to J. Randell for his many valuable services.

The Finances, under the care of the Honorary Treasurer, C. B-Cochrane, are in a healthy condition.

Signed for and on behalf of the Committee,

R. A. OXLADE,

Honorary Secretary.

Only Paid-up Members will be qualified to vote at the Meeting.

MIDDLE HARBOUR DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR SEASON 1911-12.

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s. d.	Ground Expenses :	£	s. d.	£ s. d.
Balance Brought Forward	0	17 6	Rent of Oval	1	0 0	
Suspense Account Refund Rent	17	10 0	Exes. Score Board	1	0 0	
Subs. and Donations	67	3 0	Insurance	0	4 9	
Hon. Members	2	10 0	Photos for Pavilion	2	2 0	
Locker Fees	0	17 6	Blinds	0	19 0	
Sale of Material	3	0 0	Repairs	0	6 6	
						5 12 3
			Material			45 8 4
			Afternoon Tea			4 17 11
			Refunds Subs.			1 11 6
			Scorers' Travelling Expenses			3 19 3
			Postage and Telegrams			1 15 9
			Printing and Stationery			8 3 9
			Ground Fees			1 2 0
			Adverts. and Meetings			0 18 9
			Bank Charges			0 10 0
			Petty Expenses			0 5 0
			To Credit Balance			17 13 6
						£91 18 0
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We certify that this statement of Receipts and Expenditure is correct.

C. B-COCHRANE, Hon Treasurer.

29th June, 1912.

ALEX. LEARMONTH. }
J. D. WEDDERBURN, } Hon. Auditors.

AVERAGES FIRST TEAM.

Season 1911-12.

BATTING.

	In.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs.	Ave.
B. Kortlang	5	2	63	221	73.66
D. A. Gee	18	2	134	555	34.68
G. Lowe	16	1	87	336	22.40
J. Hodgson	12	3	53*	194	21.55
E. P. Woolcott	15	0	63	314	20.93
E. Bull	18	1	94	332	19.52
E. Breedon	7	3	33*	68	17.00
J. Randell	15	0	42	199	13.26
F. B. Anderson	14	3	32	133	12.09
H. P. Woolcott	16	4	26*	133	11.08
K. Walton	12	2	33	103	10.30
H. G. Hawken	6	1	13	45	9.00
P. V. Turner	9	1	28	71	8.87
J. Anderson	5	1	9	18	4.50

Also batted :—C. B. Cochrane, three times for 39 runs ; Eric Woolcott, three times for 47 runs ; E. Mitchell, twice for 13 runs ; R. Baker, twice for 20 runs ; V. Ashworth, twice for 4 runs ; A. Lord, once for 4 runs ; G. Scales, once for 1 run ; C. Brownlow, once for 0 runs.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Ave.
J. Randell	184.4	17	750	41	18.29
K. Walton	92.5	12	346	18	19.22
H. P. Woolcott	144.4	16	549	27	20.33
E. Bull	95.5	9	435	16	27.18
D. A. Gee	143	22	523	12	43.58

Also bowled :—J. Anderson, 5 wickets for 131 runs ; G. Lowe, 1 wicket for 36 runs ; G. Scales, 1 wicket for 66 runs ; E. Woolcott, 0 wickets for 10 runs ; R. Baker, 0 wickets for 9 runs ; B. Kortlang, 0 wickets for 24 runs.

AVERAGES THIRD TEAM.

Season 1911-12.

BATTING.

	In.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs.	Ave.
J. P. Hill	4	0	114	247	61.75
D. Ogilvy	6	0	51	144	24.00
C. Ollivier	10	1	50	198	22.00
H. W. Baum	4	0	53	78	19.50
H. Jones	6	1	44*	90	18.00
G. Dunlop	13	0	51	208	16.00
B. Bowden	17	0	55	213	12.52
V. Ashworth	7	1	42	73	12.16
A. Lord	6	0	26	54	9.00
G. Copley	16	0	24	139	8.68
A. Little	7	1	20	50	8.33
D. Vernon	14	3	15	84	7.63
E. Mitchell	6	1	16	35	7.00
S. Herbert	8	4	12*	25	6.25
F. Lascelles	5	2	14	18	6.00
F. Tracey	16	2	21	80	5.71
J. M. Lowe	8	2	14	24	4.00

Also batted :—R. Thom, twice for 44 runs ; L. M. Triggs, once for 7 runs ; R. Fielder, three times for 11 runs ; J. Oldman, three times for 5 runs ; G. Scales, four times for 7 runs ; H. Callender, twice for 0 runs ; W. Smith, twice for 0 runs ; S. Lindsay, once for 0 runs.

AVERAGES SECOND TEAM.

BATTING.

	In.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs.	Ave.
E. Breedon	9	0	111	362	40.2
C. B. Cochrane	13	1	78*	401	33.4
E. Mitchell	9	2	55	169	24.1
F. McMahon	10	1	64	195	21.6
Eric Woolcott	13	0	67	239	18.4
R. Thom	5	2	22	55	18.3
R. Baker	17	1	56	247	15.4
O. G. Oxley	12	1	22	127	11.5
N. Plomley	18	3	45*	163	10.8
H. W. Baum	6	0	29	62	10.3
H. Cropper	5	0	20	37	7.4
D. Ogilvy	6	0	21	43	7.1
B. Edkins	13	0	33	81	6.2
J. P. Hill	10	0	18	56	5.6
J. Ollivier	11	5	5*	22	3.6
G. Lord	5	0	11	16	3.2

Also batted :—C. Ollivier, four times for 48 runs ; V. Lord, four times for 27 runs ; G. Dunlop, three times for 20 runs ; H. G. Hawken, twice for 24 runs ; K. Warton, twice for 8 runs ; G. Copley, twice for 1 run ; L. Triggs, twice for 22 runs ; B. Bowden, twice for 2 runs ; A. Lord, once for 59 runs ; G. Scales, once for 11 runs ; F. Tracey, once for 17 runs ; H. Jones, once for 12 runs ; V. Ashworth, once for 6 runs.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Ave.
N. Plomley	10	0	57	5	11.4
J. Ollivier	100.3	15	366	28	13.0
E. Breedon	16	0	86	6	14.3
B. Edkins	42	6	144	10	14.4
F. Tracey	12	2	84	5	16.8
R. Baker	112.2	16	353	19	18.5
F. McMahon	51	6	178	9	19.7
Eric Woolcott	50.4	3	289	10	28.9
H. Cropper	35	1	220	7	31.4

Also bowled :—E. Mitchell, 3 wickets for 44 runs ; B. Bowden, 3 wickets for 19 ; C. B. Cochrane, 3 wickets for 119 runs ; G. Scales, 3 wickets for 74 runs ; G. Dunlop, 2 wickets for 27 runs ; O. G. Oxley, 1 wicket for 85 runs ; G. Lord, 1 wicket for 61 runs ; R. Thom, 0 wickets for 37 runs ; C. Copley, 0 wickets for 49 runs.

AVERAGES THIRD TEAM.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Ave.
G. Scales	25.1	4	83	12	6.91
F. Lascelles	20.2	3	59	5	11.80
E. Mitchell	44	0	243	16	15.18
B. Bowden	121	3	257	10	25.70
F. Tracey	90	14	336	13	25.84
D. Vernon	50.3	1	276	10	27.60
G. Copley	52.5	3	233	6	38.33

Also bowled :—A. Little, 4 wickets for 184 runs ; G. Dunlop, 3 wickets for 79 runs ; J. M. Lowe, 3 wickets for 93 runs ; J. Oldman, 1 wicket for 61 runs ; L. M. Triggs, 1 wicket for 64 runs ; V. Ashworth, 0 wickets for 71 runs ; S. Herbert, 0 wickets for 45 runs ; J. P. Hill, 0 wickets for 11 runs ; R. Thom, 0 wickets for 11 runs ; H. Callender, 0 wickets for 5 runs ; R. Fielder, 0 wickets for 3 runs.

NOMINATIONS.

THE FOLLOWING NOMINATIONS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FOR THE UNDER-MENTIONED OFFICES DURING SEASON 1911-12.

HON. SECRETARY :

R. A. Oxlade.

HON. ASSISTANT SECRETARY :

E. P. Woolcott.

HON. TREASURER :

C. B-Cochrane.

GENERAL COMMITTEE :

D. A. Gee, B. Kortlang, E. Bull, F. B. Anderson, G. Dunlop, F. L. Tracy, G. Lowe, D. Ogilvy, N. Plomley.

SELECTION COMMITTEES :

First Team :—D. A. Gee, K. Walton, J. Randell, E. Bull, B. Kortlang, R. A. Oxlade.

Second Team :—C. B-Cochrane, G. Dunlop, B. Baker, E. Mitchell, N. Plomley.

Third Team :—G. Dunlop, F. L. Tracy, E. Mitchell, D. Vernon, B. Bowden, J. M. Lowe.

HON. AUDITORS :

I. T. Wodderburn, A. Learmonth