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Manly District  
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Annual Report  
and  
Financial Statement







# *Manly District Cricket Club.*

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26th June, 1924.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Forty-sixth Annual General Meeting of the Club will be held in the Literary Institute, Wentworth Street, Manly, on Thursday, 10th July, 1924, at 8 p.m.

## BUSINESS:

1. To receive Reports of General Committee and Hon. Treasurer's Statement.
2. To consider Notice of Motion by several Members—  
“That Rule 4 be rescinded and the following rule substituted in place thereof:—  
‘The Delegates to the N.S.W.C.A. shall consist of the Hon. Secretary and one other, who shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.’ ”
3. To consider Notice of Motion by Mr. J. Ross—  
“That a Committee of three (3) be appointed as a ‘Material Committee’ to purchase, supervise, and distribute all Club material.”
4. Confirmation of General Committee's action in affiliating with The Manly Sporting Union.
5. To Elect Office Bearers and General Committee for the ensuing year.
6. To transact any other business that may be brought forward in conformity with the Rules of the Club.

N.B.—ONLY FINANCIAL MEMBERS WILL BE QUALIFIED TO  
VOTE AT THE ABOVE MEETING.

ROY A. BUBB,  
Hon. Secretary.

15 James Street,  
Manly.







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## *Forty-Sixth Annual Report and Financial Statement*



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## CLUB RECORDS.

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### HIGHEST INDIVIDUAL SCORE.

- 1st. Grade, 1913-14—E. BULL, 174.  
2nd Grade, 1913-14—H. WILLIAMS, 201.\*  
3rd. Grade, 1920-21—R. FARNELL, 184.

### HIGHEST AGGREGATE.

- 1st. Grade, 1923-24—L. GWYNNE, 843.  
2nd. Grade, 1904-05—D. A. GEE, 843.  
3rd Grade, 1920-21—R. FARNELL, 506.

### HIGHEST AVERAGE.

(10 or more innings.)

- 1st. Grade, 1923-24—L. GWYNNE, 49.6.  
2nd. Grade, 1904-05—D. A. GEE, 64.84.  
3rd. Grade, 1923-24—F. VIRGOE, 35.44.

### MOST WICKETS IN A SEASON.

- 1st. Grade, 1909-10—J. RANDELL, 78; Average, 12.62.  
1917-18—A. A. MAILEY, 78; Average, 18.05.  
2nd. Grade, 1923-24—W. ROGERS, 52; Average, 13.61.  
3rd. Grade, 1922-23—F. BRAND, 79; Average, 12.26.

Records can only be traced back to 1910.



## Office-Bearers, 1923-1924.

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### Patron:

Major-General The Hon. Sir GRANVILLE RYRIE, K.C.M.G.,  
C.B., M.P.

### President:

R. A. OXLADE, Esq.

### Vice-Presidents:

The Mayor and Aldermen of the Municipality of Manly.	F. RIDGE, Esq.
Dr. R. ARTHUR, M.L.A.	R. W. D. WEAVER, Esq., M.L.A.
C. H. CALVERT, Esq.	F. L. ROW, Esq.
G. JACOBSON, Esq.	J. K. WALTON, Esq.
H. M. WILKIN, Esq.	T. FRANKLIN, Esq.
W. M. MYERS, Esq.	H. T. MATTHEWS, Esq.
J. T. EASTERBROOK, Esq., C.B.E.	W. SCOTT FELL, Esq., M.L.A.
J. DARVALL HUNT, Esq.	O. G. H. MERRETT, Esq.
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F. TRENCHARD SMITH, Esq.	T. W. LANDERS, Esq.
L. M. TRIGGS, Esq.	

### Hon. Secretary:

ROY. A. BUBB.

### Asst. Hon. Secretary:

R. FREEMAN.

### Hon. Treasurer:

C. B. COCHRANE.

### Delegates to N.S.W.C.A.:

R. A. OXLADE and C. B. COCHRANE.

### General Committee:

J. RANDELL, T. ALCOCK, N. COHEN, C. SEARLE, A. LITTLE,  
H. EVERITT, J. ROSS, F. BRAND, and R. K. WALTON.

### Selection Committees:

First Grade: R. A. BUBB, H. JONES, and J. RANDELL.

Second Grade: V. COHEN, J. ROSS, and T. ALCOCK.

Third Grade: H. EVERITT, C. B. COCHRANE, and E. C. S. WOOD.

### Hon. Auditors:

Messrs. ALEX. LEARMONTH and R. A. MUSGRAVE, A.I.A.A.



### **HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS.**

Messrs. R. Pitt, C. A. Laurence, W. S. Mitchell, and R. A. Oxlade.

### **LIFE MEMBERS.**

Dr. D. Thomas, Dr. L. Watson Harvey, Dr. G. R. P. Hall, Messrs Geo. Miller, I.S.O., C. J. Carroll, F. P. Morris, P. H. O'Brien, A. Smidmore, T. J. Underwood, E. E. Hassell, D. I. Watt, S R. Walford, W. H. Hannan, G. A. Moore, R. J. Wild, C. de Kanzow, and C. F. W. Lloyd.

### **MEMBERS.**

Andrews, B.	Jones, H.
Alcock, T.	Little, A.
Brand, F.	Lord, G.
Bubb, R. A.	Leak, F.
Barrack, B. B.	Minnett, R. B.
Cochrane, C. B.	Moore, D.
Cohen, V.	Moore, J.
Campbell, C. C.	Munro, F. F.
Campbell, D. R.	Milne, D. W.
Cathie, H. L.	McMahon, F.
Cohen, N.	Randell, J.
Driver, W.	Ross, J.
Driver, A.	Rush, B.
Donovan, L. C.	Rogers, G.
Dunlop, G.	Searle, C.
Duff, H.	Searle, J.
Drummond, D.	Searle, J., Senr.
Exton, S.	Smart, J. R.
Everitt, H.	Tranter, W.
Emanuel, H.	Treloar, C.
Freeman, R.	Virgoe, F.
Gregory, A. D.	Wood, E. C. S.
Green, L.	Walker, H.
Gwynne, L.	Watson, C.
Gregory, L. M.	Wainwright, A.
Gregory, J. M.	Walton, R. K.
Henderson, J. C.	Williams, G.



# *Manly District Cricket Club*

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## **..46th Annual Report.. and Financial Statement**

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Gentlemen,

Your Committee has much pleasure in presenting for your adoption the 46th Annual Report and Financial Statement which covers the Season, 1923-24.

The past season was successful from every point of view and your Committee hopes for a continuance of the public support that was so manifest during the season under review.

The 13 First Grade matches played on the Oval drew record attendances and the finishes in the majority of the games were most exciting. The gate takings averaged £35 gross per Saturday and with the improved standard of play it is anticipated that this average will be exceeded in the coming season. In conjunction with the Council, your Club forwent their proportion of the gate on the 1st Saturday of the match against University. The total net proceeds of the day were donated to the Olympic Games Fund. Our Vice-President, Mr. O. G. H. Merrett, was selected as the Manager of the 1924 Olympic Games Team.

A cupboard has been erected in the top room of the Pavilion for the storing of Club material, records, etc. Those who are at present in possession of material, etc., belonging to the Club are requested to deliver same to the Caretaker, who will place same in the Club's newly erected cupboard for safe custody.

As the Club was able to hand over the Oval to the Football Club earlier than usual it is expected that arrangements will be made whereby the oval will be available for practice early in the coming season so that members will have an opportunity of working up form on turf wickets before the grade matches are commenced.



Three teams were placed in the field during the past season as usual. As there were not sufficient playing members to give your Committee confidence that the Club would be fully represented for the whole season in the Junior Competition it was decided to withdraw from that series of games before the competition started rather than put the Junior Association to any inconvenience by allowing their programme to be arranged and then withdrawing after a few matches had been played.

The Club finished fourth in the Club championship with 95 points.

Your Committee extends its hearty congratulations to the Gordon (First Grade), Waverley (Second Grade), and Marrickville (Third Grade), teams upon winning the respective Premier-ships and to the Gordon Club upon winning the Club Championship Title, also to the Brookvale Club upon winning the Premiership of the Manly Junior Association.

#### JUNIOR AND SCHOOL CRICKET.

As in former seasons your Club placed its wickets and nets at the disposal of all local schools and junior association members, free of charge.

Your Club nominated G. Spencer, F. Munro, W. Walton, and G. Austin, as promising juniors for practice at the Sydney Cricket Ground, and all these players made great progress under the Association's coach, Mr. J. Searle, Sen.

In accordance with the revised rules of the Club your Committee has now power to accept not more than six talented juniors as members in any one season at a fee of ten shillings and sixpence and this rule will be, we hope, availed of during the coming season by ambitious players in the ranks of local junior clubs.

#### DELEGATES.

Messrs. R. A. Oxlade and C. B. Cochrane, your delegates to the N.S.W. Cricket Association, were regular in their attendance. Mr. Oxlade was again elected to the Executive of the Association as well as to the Board of Control, whilst Mr. Cochrane was re-elected Chairman of the Grade Committee and appointed manager of the N.S.W.C.A. team that toured New Zealand.

The Club appreciates the honour conferred on its Delegate, Mr. Cochrane, and feels it was well deserved in view of the great amount of work he has done for cricket in N.S.W. generally.

#### FINANCE.

The financial statement shows a balance of £42/4/10, but as a set off against this is the loan from the Cricket Association of £60, so that there is really an excess of £17/15/2 of expendi-



ture over receipts. The expenditure which amounted to £289/19/8 contains an item of £92/7/9 for a scoring board also £10/16/- for legal expenses and £33/2/9 for entertainments, items which will not reappear in next year's statement.

The cost of the scoring board was to be equally shared by the Manly Council, your Club, and the other bodies using the Oval, but so far the Council and your Club only have provided their quotas. The Manly Athletic Club has donated £2/2/- to the cost and promises of support have been made by the other sporting clubs.

The subscription was raised from £1/1/- to £1/10/- and from this source, and donations by the Vice-Presidents and others, the sum of £106 was collected as against £75 the previous season. Material cost £89 as against £48 for 1922-23, but the whole of the teams were better equipped than ever previously and much good material is being carried forward to next season.

An item worthy of particular attention is "Percentage Gate Receipts," £27/15/6, and this represents the allowance made to the Club by the Manly Council on account of the gate takings.

An additional amount of £6/6/11 has since been received from this source.

#### REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS.

The State Selectors last season did not treat our Club members too kindly as far as representatives from this Club in Interstate matches were concerned. Only one member caught their eye—i.e., R. A. Bubb, who was selected to visit Melbourne with the N.S.W. 2nd XI. It was confidently expected that L. Gwynne, who had a most successful and consistent season, would have been picked with the 2nd XI and also with the team that toured New Zealand. However, we can only hope that Gwynne, if in form again, will be given an opportunity in a higher circle next season to prove his powers as a batsman.

#### MR. D. A. GEE.

Your Committee desires to place on record the valuable services rendered to the Club both on and off the field for the past 19 years by the so-called ever-green veteran, Dan Gee. Dan first played with the Club in 1904 and has played actively for it, with the exception of one season when he turned out for Gordon, right up to last year, when he decided to retire and take to golf. There are very few cricketers who put so much sparkle into their cricket as Dan and he was an object lesson to young players as far as putting energy into his game was concerned. He was always popular with the spectators, as they could rest assured that whilst he was at the wickets wielding the "long-handle" sixers and fourers would be flying everywhere. His best season for the Club in 1st Grade was in 1919-20, when he scored 660 runs at an average of 44.0.



On January 31, 1903, he scored 172 and with the late Victor Trumper (335) put on 423 for the 1st wicket of Paddington v. Redfern on Redfern Oval in 2¼ hours. In 1911-12 he scored 3 centuries for Manly in 1st Grade. Since 1898, Dan has scored, all told, in competition 1st Grade Cricket, 7934 runs, a record of which he may well feel proud.

#### YASS VISIT.

Over last New Year's holidays, the Club was favoured by a return visit of the Yass District Cricket Association under the Managership of Mr. H. Horton (Secretary of the Yass Association). On their arrival they were welcomed to Manly by the Mayor (Alderman A. C. Samuels), Aldermen P. L. Nolan and R. A. Barton, and at the luncheon by Mr. R. W. D. Weaver, M.L.A.

Matches were arranged for them by the Club against Mr. J. Searle's Colts at the Sydney Cricket Ground, the Country Teachers and our own 1st and 2nd Elevens at the Manly Oval. Luncheon was supplied at Dungowan for the visitors at all the matches played in Manly. The Yass Association fielded a strong team, ably captained by Mr. H. Bridge, and put up an excellent showing in each of the four matches played. Special mention must be made of the good bowling performances obtained by Mr. H. McLean during the tour. The visitors expressed their appreciation of the hospitality extended to them and were glad of the opportunity of playing on turf wickets. As the team were all staying in town the Club were consequently not able to arrange special entertainments at night time.

Owing to various reasons, the Club was not able to send a team to Yass last Easter but hopes to do so during the coming season.

#### PERCENTAGE OF GATE TAKINGS.

For the first time in the history of the Club, the Manly Council agreed to a request by the Hon. Secretary to allow this Club 10 per cent. of the net gate takings at all First Grade matches played in Manly which has been the means of allowing the Club to make numerous improvements and to provide excellent material for each team. When the last match of the season—i.e., the 1st Grade Final, Manly v. Gordon, was played, 35 per cent. was allowed the Club by the Council who have done everything in their power to not only help the Club but to foster the game of cricket at the Village. They succeeded in their efforts as record gates were established at each 1st Grade match played on the Oval. As next season, we anticipate, will be our biggest year, we hope the Council will see their way clear to grant us 35 per cent. throughout the season and thus help us to win the Premiership Pennant for Manly.



## MANLY SPORTING UNION.

Acting in the interests of the Club, your Committee applied for affiliation to the newly formed Manly Sporting Union. Every branch of sport in Manly, with the exception of golf, has linked up with the Union, which is now regarded as a very strong representative body.

Mr. Roy A. Bubb was appointed this Club's Delegate and was duly elected by the Union as its first Hon. Secretary. To date, through the Union's activities, the following improvements have been carried out by the Council and other bodies, which will materially be of benefit to this Club:—

1. Rounding off and enlargement of Oval.
2. Additional seating accommodation at Pavilion.
3. Construction of Cycle Track.
4. Removal of Court House.
5. Removal of numerous trees from around the Oval, etc.

## NEW SCORING BOARD.

What is considered the most important improvement carried out by the Committee last season, was the erection of an up-to-date Scoring Board on the Oval. The Board is not only of great service to the players, but has created more interest with the spectators, as they are now able to know the names of the players, either batting or bowling. The total cost of the board amounted to £97/4/3, of which the Council and this Club contributed one third, whilst the Football, Athletic, and Bicycle Clubs respectively, are contributing towards the balance. The installation of a telephonette from the Official scorer at the Pavilion to the men in charge of the board itself makes it possible to rectify, in a few seconds, any mistakes that may occur. The structure was designed by Mr. J. Randell and the thanks of the Club are due to him for the amount of time he spent in supervising the building of same and also the other matters he attended to in connection therewith.

## OBITUARY.

It is with deep regret that your Committee has to report the deaths of Mr. C. H. Hayes, Mr. G. H. Gordon, and Mr. T. Broughton. To the relatives of the deceased gentlemen, the Club extends its sincerest sympathy.

The late Mr. C. H. Hayes was one of the very few privileged Hon. Life Members of the Club. As Mayor of Manly at the time, he was instrumental in obtaining the park which is now used as our main oval, by arranging for its purchase by the State Government at Public Auction, after it had actually been divided



into building blocks, with streets running through it. An under-hand googly bowler in his youthful days he remained a member of the Club right up to the date of his death.

The late Mr. G. H. Gordon was a Life Member and always a good friend to the Club, by helping financially whenever occasions arose.

The late Mr. T. Broughton was known to everyone and worked the old scoring board at the oval for many years. "Dad," as he was known to club members, was an ardent supporter of the Club, and his absence from last year's matches was keenly felt by many. Mr. R. K. Walton and the Hon. Secretary represented the Club at his funeral.

## SECOND ANNUAL BALL.

After the social success of our first Ball, it was decided to make every effort so that the 2nd Annual Ball should not only be a social success, but a financial one as well. However, it was never anticipated that records would be broken. The profit of the Ball—i.e., £66/5/—, is one of the biggest ever made in Manly and there were more people in Cabaret Dungowan on Wednesday, 25th July, 1923, than there have ever been before.

The Committee that were responsible for the Big Night and to whom the members of this Club express their grateful appreciation are as follows:—Mesdames, P. L. Nolan, L. Bubb, C. B. Cochrane, H. M. Wilkin, N. Cohen, Misses B. Little, E. Garden, and the Messrs. A. Little, F. Russell, E. Cubitt, and Roy A. Bubb (Hon. Organiser). The Club members have reason to be proud of the results of the efforts of the energetic Committee who promoted this exceptionally successful function. The spacious accommodation of Dungowan was availed of to its utmost capacity by the hundreds of dancers who attended and spent a thoroughly enjoyable and bright evening. Showers of gay balloons and festive paper hats gave a carnival air to the Ball.

One of the main features of the night was the wonderful welcome extended to Miss Ettie Campbell ("The Diggers' Idol") from far off Durban, who accepted the invitation of the Committee to be present. As Miss Campbell entered the Ballroom at 10 p.m. the orchestra struck up "For She's a Jolly Good Fellow," and she was cheered enthusiastically. The Club's President, Mr. R. A. Oxlade, and Col. Munro (Returned Soldiers' League) escorted her to the platform and introduced her to the audience. In reply, Miss Campbell said she was overwhelmed at the reception accorded to her and expressed a desire to dance with one of the Australian XI. cricketers present. Mr. Jack Gregory was the lucky partner. During the evening appreciated interludes were provided by Miss Rita Edmonds and Mr. Kelso Henderson, who gave a graceful and expertly-performed exhibition of the Tango.



Mr. Percy Baker, then the talented xylophonist attached to the Dungowan Orchestra, provided a cleverly and artistically rendered xylophone solo, which was heartily applauded. Three small dancers, the Misses Mavis Palmer, Jean Ross (daughter of one of our members), and Nancy Bourne, pupils of Miss Ida Beckman, won the whole-hearted admiration of the onlookers with their clever dancing.

Card tables were provided for the non-dancers.

During the course of the various dances, fifty valuable prizes were handed out to the lucky ones. To the following individuals and firms the Club extends its grateful appreciation:—T. W. Landers, Coopers', The Distillers Co. Ltd., Lazarus Bros., Thos. Hardy and Sons Ltd., F. W. Howard, Caldwells' Wines Ltd., J. McCarthy, W. Kirkland (Plaza), Tucker and Co. Ltd., C. Tauro, Geo. A. Bond and Co. Ltd., J. G. Stewart and Sons, Cadbury, Fry and Pascall Mrs. Channon, Yardley and Co., Gehrig and Co., Orme, Keigwin and Co., H. H. York and Co., Penfolds Ltd., Valeria Ltd., Harbottle Brown and Co. Ltd., Whiting and Rawnsley, Sheldon Drug Co. Ltd., H. C. Aiken, David Briggs and Co., McIlraths Ltd., Dobbs Bros., A. Little, and The Corso Hosiery House.

#### THEATRE PARTY.

After the social success of last year's Club Theatre Party night your Committee decided to promote a second venture, which took place at "Tons of Money," on Monday, 31st March last. Arrangements were made whereby 60 seats were reserved at a reduced cost. Every seat was quickly availed of. The President, Mr. R. A. Oxlade, and the following Vice-Presidents: Dr. R. Arthur, M.L.A., H. T. Matthews, Geo. Jacobson, and J. Darvall Hunt were present, besides a goodly number of members with their friends. The evening was a most enjoyable one and those present are now looking forward to next season's outing.

#### PRESENTATIONS.

During the year a photo of the last Australian XI was presented to the Club by Mr. A. A. Mailey, which Mr. C. C. Campbell had framed and is now on view in the top room of the pavilion. Dr. R. B. Minnett also presented a framed record together with photos of the Test Matches played in Australia during 1921-22. The donors in each case were thanked by your Committee for their generosity.

#### FIRST ANNUAL DINNER AND SMOKE CONCERT.

A most enjoyable and successful function was held on Monday, 28th April, at the Hotel Pacific, Manly, when to celebrate the improved positions of the Club's 3 teams in last year's Competition Tables, the Club held its First Annual Dinner and Smoke Con-



cert. Your President, Mr. R. A. Oxlade, was unable to be present, but nominated Dr. David Thomas, a past President of the Club for 25 years, to the position of Chairman for the evening. Dr. Thomas gladly accepted and appreciated the honour.

The following members and supporters were present:—Major-General Sir Granville Ryrie, M.P., Mr. R. W. D. Weaver, M.L.A., Mr. W. Scott Fell, M.L.A., Mr. J. T. Easterbrook, C.B.E., The Mayor of Manly (Alderman A. C. Samuels), Dr. G. Moncrieff Barron, Dr. R. B. Minnett, Dr. B. B. Barrack, and the Messrs. J. M. Gregory, L. W. Gwynne, F. L. Row, A. F. C. Smidmore, A. Little, R. K. Walton, E. C. S. Wood, G. Williams, J. Searle, G. Rogers, F. McMahon, R. Freeman (Asst. Sec.), A. Driver, C. B. Cochrane (Hon. Treas.), T. Alcock, B. Andrews, C. W. Watson, Sidney Wilson, E. R. Bubb, E. Cubitt, T. Ferguson (Scorer, 1st XI.), —. Lloyd, —. Hill, W. W. Kay, G. Driver, J. Spencer, and the Hon. Secretary (Mr. R. A. Bubb). Kindred clubs were represented by the following:—Mr. J. Darvall Hunt (Manly Sporting Union), Mr. D. D. McIntyre (Surfing and Swimming), Mr. B. D. Johnston (Football and Athletics), Mr. C. T. Piper (Tennis), and Mr. N. H. Issacs (Theatrical).

The Chairman proposed the toast of the King which was drunk with musical honours. The next toast, that of the Manly District Cricket Club, was proposed by Major-General Sir Granville Ryrie, supported by Messrs. R. W. D. Weaver and W. Scott Fell. All three speakers congratulated the Club on its improved position during the past season and hoped that next year, with the help of Jack Gregory, they would be able to congratulate the 1st XI on winning the Premiership for the first time in the Club's history. Appreciative references were made to the services rendered to the Club by Dr. Minnett (Captain, 1st XI) and Mr. R. A. Bubb (Hon. Secretary). Dr. Thomas, Dr. Minnett, and Mr. Bubb suitably responded. Mr. J. T. Easterbrook, C.B.E., proposed the toast of kindred clubs, which was responded to by each of the representatives enumerated above. The Manly Council was in the hands of Mr. Bubb, who pointed out the valuable assistance given to the Club by the present Council during the past season. The Mayor (Alderman A. C. Samuels) replied. Dr. G. M. Barron proposed the visitors and mentioned how pleased they were to have present Mr. Lloyd, who first introduced Manly to 1st Grade cricket, and Mr. Hill, a brother of the South Australian and world famous batsman, Mr. Clem Hill. Mr. A. F. C. Smidmore, a life member of the Club, responded. The Press was proposed by Mr. C. B. Cochrane, who arrived late, owing to having to be present at a N.S.W. Cricket Association meeting. A reply was read by the Hon. Secretary from Mr. H. M. Dale, of "The Manly Daily," who regretted his inability to attend. During the speeches musical items were rendered by the "Four Waifs," and Messrs. Sidney Wilson, E. R. Bubb, and L. Gwynne, all of which were greatly appreciated. Mr. L. Gwynne was presented with a bat, donated by Mr. F. Deaton, for winning the batting average of the 1st XI. Mr. Bubb,



on behalf of the 1st XI., presented Dr. Minnett with an enlarged framed photo of the team to express to him the high esteem in which he was held by the members. Mr. T. Ferguson (Scorer) was also the recipient of a framed photo. Impromptu toasts to Mr. L. Gwynne, who recently became a father, and Mr. R. Freeman, who was shortly to be married, were enthusiastically honoured.

At 11 p.m. an excellent night was brought to a close by a vote of thanks by Major-General Sir Granville Rylie, to the Chairman, being carried by acclamation.

#### FIRST GRADE TEAM.

It is pleasing to report that your First Grade Team performed better last season than in any previous years, finishing up second on points in the Premiership Table and fourth on averages.

The comparison table sets out the progress made during the last three seasons.

Season	Matches	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points	No. of Teams	Position.
1921-22	13	1	12	—	13	16	16
1922-23	13	5	6	2	24	16	10
1923-24	14	8	5	1	32	16	4

The season started off with a great filip by the inclusion of Jack Gregory in our first team. He was, however, only able to play in the first two matches, as he developed knee trouble and was obliged to undergo an operation and rest for the remainder of the season. However, in his last match and incidently the first played on the Manly Oval for the season (which was celebrated accordingly) he not only performed in sensational fashion with the bat and ball, but created the interest of our local supporters which was in evidence right up to the last match. The first match against Mosman, the 1st XI lost, but made amends in the second match against Balmain, by securing an outright victory. Gregory, as stated above, was the star, scoring a century, and obtaining 9 wickets for 24 runs. After this decisive win, the team seemed to be as if inspired, for seven successive wins followed. L. Gwynne was consistency itself with the bat, and was mainly responsible for the team's success. R. Bubb, R. B. Minnett, and J. Randell bore the brunt of the bowling, and each had their days out. The team's winning burst was stopped by Waverley, who won an exciting match by 1 run. Every match, in fact, finished in an exciting manner, and kept the spectators in a happy mood right up to the drawing of stumps. To create and foster a local following, a goodly number of matches were allocated to our home ground by the N.S.W.C.A. It would be unfair to pick out players individually, and praise them for the team's improved position, as it was mainly the excellent team work shown by the players. Summing up, it can be said



that the team were lucky and unlucky. Unlucky in so far as Dr. Minnett, who ably captained the team throughout, only won the toss on four occasions.

The fielding of the team as a whole showed a marked improvement, which materially helped the bowlers. The batting strength of the team was again weak, with, of course, the exception of Gwynne. Every member of the team, however, came to light on at least one occasion. In bowling, the team were well served, even without the services of Gregory.

Congratulations to L. Gwynne on winning the batting average, and also on scoring the second greatest number of runs for all teams, and to R. A. Bubb, who secured the bowling average. R. Freeman showed a marked improvement behind the sticks, catching 11 and stumping 8.

The following scored more than 40 runs in an innings during the 14 matches played:—

L. Gwynne—40 v. Mosman, 70 v. Balmain, 72 v. Randwick, 54 v. Glebe, 63 v. St. George, 45 and 58 v. Waverley (1st match), 129 v. Gordon (1st match), 74 v. University, and 102 v. Waverley (2nd match).  
H. Jones—49 v. Balmain, 52\* v. St. George.  
G. Williams—54\* v. North Sydney, 123 v. St. George.  
J. Searle—78 v. Marrickville.  
A. D. Gregory—76 v. Mosman.  
B. Andrews—68\* v. Randwick.  
R. A. Bubb—42 v. Marrickville, 48 v. Waverley (1st match), 58 v. Waverley (2nd match).  
R. B. Minnett—53 v. Paddington, 161 v. Glebe.  
R. Freeman—48 v. University.  
J. Gregory—100 v. Balmain.

Runs were scored by the team at the average rate of 72 per hour.

The best partnerships were as follows:—

Gwynne and Bubb—105 runs in 38 minutes, v. Waverley.  
Gwynne and Bubb—86 runs in 32 minutes, v. Waverley.  
Gwynne and Williams—126 runs in 97 minutes, v. St. George.  
Minnett and Searle—113 runs in 65 minutes, v. Glebe.

The following obtained more than 5 wickets in an innings:—

J. M. Gregory—9 for 24 v. Balmain.  
R. B. Minnett—5 for 70 v. St. George, and 5 for 58 v. Waverley.  
J. Randell—5 for 159 v. Mosman, 6 for 77 v. Paddington, 5 for 36 v. Marrickville, and 5 for 75 v. North Sydney.  
R. A. Bubb—7 for 53 v. Randwick, and 7 for 68 v. University.  
H. Jones—5 for 31 v. Balmain.  
G. Williams—5 for 10 v. University.



The team worked in perfect harmony, and were an extremely happy family under Dr. Minnett. More attention should be paid to practice next season, and, with the inclusion of Jack Gregory, etc., the club holds out the hope that the Premiership Pennant of 1924-25 shall be ours.

The team and club wish to express their appreciation to Mrs. Bubb, who had charge of the afternoon tea arrangements at every match played in Manly, and also to Mrs. Minnett, Mrs. Cohen, Mrs. Walton, and Mrs. Gregory, who also helped on numerous occasions.

#### SECOND GRADE TEAM.

The second team had a successful season, having improved their position in the competition table from seventh in the 1922-23 season to fourth in the past season. The following table shows the position of the team during the last three seasons:—

Season	Matches	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points	No. of Teams	Position.
1921-22	13	7	2	4	32	16	2
1922-23	13	7	6	—	26	16	7
1923-24	14	9	5	—	35	16	4

The bowling average was secured by R. K. Walton, who was unfortunately not able to play right through the season. His figures were 37 wickets at a cost of 483—average 13.05. The honor of obtaining the greatest number of wickets fell to W. Rogers with 52, for 708 runs, average 13.61. Others to obtain over 20 wickets were C. Searle, 26 for 479, average 18.42; and J. Ross, 21 for 459, average 21.49. Of the individual bowling performances, special mention is made of the following:—

R. K. Walton—5 for 32 and 4 for 34 v. Balmain, 6 for 49 and 6 for 36 v. Paddington.

W. Rogers—5 for 20 v. Petersham, 5 for 46 v. Glebe, and 6 for 59 v. Marrickville.

C. Searle—3 for 9 v. Balmain, 4 for 38 v. Western Suburbs, 4 for 16 v. Petersham.

A. Little—4 for 29 v. Paddington.

B. Rush—4 for 22 v. Waverley.

The batting average was obtained by F. Leak, who, however, only played six innings. His figures are 6 for 186, average 31.0. Of those who played regularly throughout the season, the batting honors fell to W. Driver, who scored 371 runs for 14 times out, an average of 26.50 per innings. Others close up were C. Searle, 14 times out for 365 runs, an average of 26.07; and J. Ross, 15 innings for 389 runs, average 25.93. The latter has the distinction of being the only player to score a century for the side during the season (125 v. Gordon), and of obtaining the highest aggregate of runs.



Batsmen to score 50 runs and over in an innings were:—

C. Searle—55\* v. North Sydney, and 58 v. Mosman.

N. Cohen—55 v. Western Suburbs, and 64 v. Petersham.

J. Ross—125 v. Gordon, and 50 v. Marrickville.

A. Little—68 v. Marrickville.

V. Cohen—83 v. Marrickville.

F. Leak—88 v. Gordon, and 50 v. Petersham.

A. Driver—65 v. Glebe.

A. D. Gregory—63 v. North Sydney.

S. Exton again kept wickets well, having stumped 14 and caught 10.

### THIRD GRADE TEAM.

Although the 3rds, unlike the other teams, are unable to point to an improved position in the Competition Table, still 9th on the list is fairly creditable when the difficulties under which the side labored are known.

The following table clearly sets out the comparison:—

Season	Matches	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points	No. of Teams	Position.
1921-22	13	4	8	1	22	16	11
1922-23	13	8	5	—	33	16	5
1923-24	14	7	7	—	28	16	9

For various reasons, the team was a different one for each match throughout the season, and this deprived it of any opportunity of cultivating team work. Added to this, Messrs. R. Smith and F. Brand, who were the mainstays of the previous year, were lost to the side, the first named having removed to Adelaide, and the latter, through injuries, being rarely seen at the bowling crease. Fortunately, Jack Moore and Claude Cochrane came to the rescue, with 52 and 33 wickets respectively, otherwise the third's position in the list would have been a very modest one indeed.

The batting of the team was a feature, as 200 runs an innings was exceeded on 9 occasions. The performance of H. Everitt deserves a special word, his record of 450 runs for 16 innings being enhanced by the fact that he always opened the innings. He was a model of consistency, his average being 28.12 and highest score 54.

Perhaps the most improved batsman in the team was F. Virgoe, who is still very young and full of promise. His figures for the season were 319 for 9 innings. Valuable assistance was also forthcoming from H. Duff, G. Dunlop, and F. Brand.

Four centuries were scored during the season, F. Brand 141\* against Balmain, A. Kildea 115\* against Glebe, F. Leak 110\* against Mosman, and G. Dunlop 100 against Balmain.



Other scores worthy of mention were H. Duff, 56 v. University, and 90 v. Sydney; F. Leak, 71 v. Mosman, and 87 v. North Sydney; D. Milne, 50 v. Paddington; F. Virgoe, 84 v. North Sydney, and 79\* v. Western Suburbs; C. B. Cochrane, 61 v. Randwick; and A. Driver, 94 v. Randwick.

#### HON. SECRETARY.

Your Committee desires to place on record its appreciation of the very able manner in which Mr. R. A. Bubb carried out his Secretarial duties. It was largely due to his untiring efforts in the interests of the Club that the past season was such a successful one, and that the prospects for the coming season are so good.

#### HON. AUDITORS.

Your Committee again desires to place on record their appreciation of the services rendered to the Club by the Hon. Auditors, Messrs. Alex. Learmonth and R. A. Musgrave, A.I.A.A. For many years these two gentlemen have audited the books of the Club, and it is our hope that they will continue to do so for a great many years to come.

#### SCORERS.

The three teams last season were fortunate in having the services of three interested and efficient scorers, in the persons of Mr. W. H. Ferguson (1st Grade), Master P. Williams (2nd Grade), and Master R. Fitzhardinge (3rd Grade). Mr. Ferguson, of course, is well known, having toured England with various Australian Elevens on several occasions. Last season he was the official scorer for the Sheffield Shield match, N.S.W. v. South Australia. We thank the above mentioned gentlemen most sincerely for the excellent services they have rendered to the Club, and hope they will all "wield their pencils" for the Club next season, and may they be kept busy.

#### COUNCIL.

To express our appreciation of the interest and support extended to us as a Club by the present Aldermen, fully, would take nearly the whole of this report, but on numerous occasions we have had opportunities of thanking them for the great support they have given us, and can only once again thank them most sincerely.

#### PRESS.

To "The Manly Daily" the Club is again greatly indebted. The publicity they gave to the Club last year was one of the main factors in bringing about the big revival of cricket at "the Village," and in thanking them, we trust that they will continue with their good work, so that we can accomplish even bigger results than we did in 1923-24.



## THE OVAL CARETAKER.

The new Caretaker of the Manly Oval, Mr. C. Basford, has done excellent work in re-establishing the Oval to its pre-war standard, and has taken extreme care of this Club's material. Our thanks are extended to him for his past interest and services, and we confidently hope that at the end of this coming season, greater improvements will have been carried out.

In conclusion, your Committee hopes that the interest shown by members last season will again continue, and that you will give your whole-hearted co-operation on and off the field to your Officers for next season, and thus pave the way for greater achievements.

For and on behalf of the Committee,

R. A. OXLADE,  
Chairman.

ROY A. BUBB,  
Hon. Secretary.

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## COMMITTEE ATTENDANCES.

NINE MONTHLY AND THREE SPECIAL MEETINGS WERE  
HELD DURING THE SEASON TO 14th JUNE, 1924.

R. A. Bubb	12
R. K. Walton	11
J. Randell	11
J. Ross	9
R. Freeman	8
R. A. Oxlade	7
C. Searle	7
C. B. Cochrane	7
T. Alcock	6
N. Cohen	6
F. Brand	5
A. Little	4
F. Leak (resigned 16/2/24)	4
H. W. Everitt (elected 28/2/24)	4
O. G. H. Merrett	1
J. Darvall Hunt	1



# FIRST GRADE TEAM.

## BATTING.

Name	No. of Innings	Not Outs	Highest Scores	Runs	Bld.	Cght.	HOW OUT. L.B.W.	R.O.	Stpd.	Catches	Av.
L. GWYNNE	20	3	129	843	5	8	1	1	2	5	49.6
G. WILLIAMS	18	3	123	371	6	7	—	2	—	5	24.7
B. ANDREWS	13	3	68*	218	2	4	2	1	1	6	21.8
R. B. MINNETT	17	—	161	350	2	13	2	—	—	4	20.5
R. A. BUBB	18	—	58	315	6	7	3	2	—	6	17.5
R. FREEMAN	15	3	48	202	7	5	—	—	—	11	16.8
J. SEARLE	18	—	78	268	8	7	1	1	1	8	14.8
A. D. GREGORY	13	1	76*	164	6	5	—	1	—	—	13.6
H. JONES	19	1	52*	232	10	6	1	1	—	2	12.8
C. SEARLE	5	3	10	24	—	2	—	—	—	—	12.0
W. DRIVER	8	—	19	72	4	2	—	1	1	2	9.0
J. RANDELL	11	2	20	72	5	4	—	—	—	2	8.0

## ALSO BATTED.

J. M. GREGORY.—2 innings for 139 runs.	L. C. DONOVAN.—3 innings for 34 runs.
H. DUFF.—2 innings for 30 runs.	N. COHEN.—4 innings for 31 runs.
J. ROSS.—4 innings for 26 runs.	S. EXTON.—1 innings for 2 runs.
B. B. BARRACK.—4 innings for 13 runs.	F. LEAK.—2 innings for 0 runs.
A. LITTLE.—2 innings for 9 runs.	



# FIRST GRADE TEAM.

## BOWLING.

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wkts.	Runs	Average	HOW OBTAINED.		
						Bowled	Caught	Stpd. L.B.W.
R. A. BUBB . . . . .	175	14	40	844	21.1	19	20	1
R. B. MINNETT . . .	151	16	29	630	21.7	14	9	6
J. RANDELL . . . . .	167	7	41	991	24.1	16	16	5
G. WILLIAMS . . . .	27	3	7	175	25.0	2	3	2
H. JONES . . . . .	84	5	14	362	25.8	11	1	1
B. ANDREWS . . . .	64	7	9	302	33.5	4	4	—
L. GWYNNE . . . . .	20	1	4	136	34.0	1	1	1

## ALSO BOWLED.

J. M. GREGORY.—13 wickets for 124 runs. J. SEARLE.—0 wickets for 11 runs.  
 B. B. BARRACK.—4 wickets for 136 runs. J. ROSS.—0 wickets for 48 runs.



## SECOND GRADE TEAM.

### BATTING.

Name	No. of innings	Not Outs	Highest Score	Runs	Catches	Average
F. LEAK . . . . .	6	—	88	186	1	31.00
W. DRIVER . . . .	17	3	43	371	2	26.5
C. SEARLE . . . .	16	2	58	365	9	26.07
J. ROSS . . . . .	15	—	125	389	7	25.93
G. DUNLOP . . . .	6	—	61	125	—	20.83
V. COHEN . . . . .	15	3	83	238	1	19.83
N. COHEN . . . . .	16	1	64	280	5	18.13
A. DRIVER . . . .	11	1	65	162	2	16.20
B. RUSH . . . . .	17	4	48	202	6	15.53
A. LITTLE . . . .	19	3	68	224	6	14.00
T. ALCOCK . . . .	13	3	44	138	6	13.80
W. ROGERS . . . .	19	3	40	213	6	13.31
R. K. WALTON . . .	9	1	28	99	3	12.37
H. EVERITT . . . .	5	—	37	54	1	10.80
S. EXTON . . . . .	15	3	30	105	10	8.75

### ALSO BATTED.

B. ANDREWS.—2 innings for 84 runs.	H. DUFF.—3 innings for 46 runs.
F. McMAHON.—2 innings for 41 runs.	L. C. DONOVAN.—3 innings for 38 runs.
A. D. GREGORY.—2 innings for 68 runs.	H. WALKER.—1 innings for 3 runs.
R. FREEMAN.—1 innings for 32 runs.	F. BRAND.—1 innings for 1 run.
J. MOORE.—2 innings for 20 runs.	H. EMANUEL.—1 innnigs for 0 runs.
E. C. S. WOOD.—1 innings for 16 runs.	F. VIRGOE.—1 innings for 0 Runs.



## SECOND GRADE TEAM.

### BOWLING.

	Overs	Maiden	Wkts.	Runs	Average
R. K. WALTON	119	15	37	483	13.05
W. ROGERS ..	179	16	52	708	13.61
C. SEARLE ..	93	10	26	479	18.42
J. ROSS .....	72	2	21	459	21.49
A. LITTLE .....	76	2	18	396	22.0
T. ALCOCK ...	38	—	10	244	24.4
G. DUNLOP ...	20	—	4	99	24.75
B. RUSH .....	111	7	18	556	30.88
H. EVERITT ..	10	—	2	90	45.0
N. COHEN .....	14	—	1	69	69.0

### ALSO BOWLED.

L. C. DONOVAN.—1 wicket for 8 runs.  
H. DUFF.—3 wickets for 90 runs.  
F. McMAHON.—0 wickets for 26 runs.

B. ANDREWS.—0 wickets for 30 runs.  
F. VIRGOE.—0 wickets for 13 runs.



# THIRD GRADE TEAM.

## BATTING.

Name	No. of Innings	Not Outs	Highest Score	Runs	Catches	Bld.	HOW OUT. Caught	R.O.	Stpd.	L.B.W.	Av.
H. DUFF	7	1	90	218	4	—	5	—	—	1	36.33
F. VIRGOE	13	4	80	319	2	3	6	—	—	1	35.44
F. BRAND	12	1	141*	318	3	9	2	—	—	—	28.9
H. EVERITT	19	3	50	450	6	7	6	—	1	2	28.12
G. DUNLOP	10	—	100	254	1	6	4	—	—	—	25.44
D. MILNE	15	—	50	277	6	6	6	—	—	3	18.46
E. WOOD	11	1	40*	150	2	3	5	1	1	—	15.0
L. CATHIE	11	2	41	124	10	4	4	—	—	1	13.77
C. B. COCHRANE	14	1	61	177	3	3	8	—	1	1	13.61
H. WALKER	20	—	36	235	10	9	6	3	1	1	11.75
J. MOORE	18	6	35	140	5	8	2	2	—	—	11.66
L. GREEN	16	1	49	176	7	3	9	—	1	2	11.33
C. WATSON	8	1	23	59	—	4	3	—	—	—	8.42

## ALSO BATTED.

- F. LEAK.—3 innings for 268 runs.  
A. DRIVER.—4 innings for 124 runs.  
T. ALCOCK.—3 innings for 51 runs.  
B. RUSH.—2 innings for 34 runs.  
D. MOORE.—4 innings for 17 runs.
- F. F. MUNRO.—6 innings for 50 runs.  
L. M. GREGORY.—2 innings for 7 runs.  
G. LORD.—6 innings for 3 runs.  
H. EMANUEL.—1 innings for 0 runs.  
C. TRELOAR.—2 innings for 0 runs.



# THIRD GRADE TEAM.

## BOWLING.

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wkts.	Runs	Bowled	HOW OBTAINED.			Av.
						Caught	Stpd.	L.B.W.	
H. DUFF . . . . .	66	12	23	213	11	8	3	1	9.26
C. B. COCHRANE	69	6	33	360	12	13	7	1	10.91
J. MOORE . . . . .	220	33	52	741	26	21	5	—	14.25
H. EVERITT . . . . .	45	3	19	283	4	15	—	—	14.89
F. BRAND . . . . .	39	3	6	204	2	1	1	2	34.0

## ALSO BOWLED.

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| C. TRELOAR.—1 wicket for 5 runs.   | L. GREEN.—1 wicket for 31 runs.       |
| G. DUNLOP.—11 wickets for 86 runs. | A. DRIVER.—3 wickets for 100 runs.    |
| T. ALCOCK.—7 wickets for 76 runs.  | L. CATHIE.—2 wickets for 72 runs.     |
| B. RUSH.—7 wickets for 84 runs.    | H. WALKER.—1 wicket for 104 runs.     |
| D. MILNE.—8 wickets for 100 runs.  | E. C. S. WOOD.—0 wickets for 21 runs. |
| F. VIRGOE.—8 wickets for 144 runs. | G. LORD.—0 wickets for 17 runs.       |
| H. EMANUEL.—4 wickets for 79 runs. |                                       |



SUMMARY  
OF  
RUNS SCORED FOR AND AGAINST.

FOR.

	Runs	Byes	Leg Byes	Wides	No Balls	Wkts.	Av.
1st Grade	3675	162	59	5	34	170	21.62
2nd Grade	3773	201	49	3	20	189	19.96
3rd Grade	3706	236	59	5	3	193	19.20
	<u>11154</u>	<u>599</u>	<u>167</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>552</u>	<u>20.2</u>

AGAINST.

	Runs	Byes	Leg Byes	Wides	No Balls	Wkts.	Av.
1st Grade	3915	169	55	6	16	163	24.03
2nd Grade	3988	188	46	3	7	191	20.28
3rd Grade	3099	179	35	4	2	193	16.05
	<u>11007</u>	<u>536</u>	<u>136</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>547</u>	<u>20.11</u>



# STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR SEASON 1923-24.

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.		
	£	s	d		£
Balance from 1922-23 .....	3	0	11	Material and Repairs .....	89
Subs. and Donations .....	106	15	0	Scoring Board .....	92
Hon. Members .....	6	10	0	Entertainments .....	33
Loan from Cricket Association .	60	0	0	Printing and Stationery .....	26
Percentage Gate Receipts .....	27	15	6	Caretaker .....	16
Manly Council—Part Cost, Score Board .....	27	4	1	Afternoon Tea .....	3
Refund, Legal Expenses .....	9	16	0	Legal Expenses .....	10
Theatre Party (Entertainments)	19	8	0	Fees (Including Score Boys) . . .	7
Club Dance .....	66	5	0	Rent .....	1
Afternoon Tea .....	1	4	0	Bank Charges .....	1
Refund Affiliation Fee, N.S.W.C.A.	1	1	0	Postages .....	5
Manly Council—Scoring Boys ..	3	5	0	Catching Machine (repairs) . . .	1
				Insurance .....	1
				Miscellaneous .....	1
				Balance .....	£289
					42
					£332
					4
					6

We have audited the above with the Hon. Treasurer's books and relative receipts and vouchers and certify the same to be in accordance therewith.

C. B. COCHRANE, Hon. Treasurer.  
31st May, 1924.

R. A. MUSGRAVE, A.I.A.A. } Hon. Auditors,  
ALEX. LEARMONTH }



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# **3rd Annual Ball**

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**Wednesday, 23rd July, 1924**

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To raise funds for this coming season's activities. We are out to bring premiership honors to Manly this season. Make sure you sell at least 6 Tickets, and thus help an enthusiastic committee, who are working for you. Card Tables, Balloons, Jazz Caps. Your co-operation is all we ask. The Four Waifs will entertain. Prizes.

It will be another Wonderful Night.

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**ROY A. BUBB,**  
Hon. Secretary