

# MANLY DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

## 63rd ANNUAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixty-Third ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the MANLY DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB will be held in the SPORTING UNION ROOMS, MANLY OVAL, on THURSDAY, 10th JULY, 1941, at 7.45 p.m.

### BUSINESS:

- (1) To receive the Sixty-Third Annual Report and Financial Statement.
- (2) To Elect Office-bearers for ensuing season.
- (3) To transact any other business brought forward.

L. W. GWYNNE,  
Hon. Secretary.

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Adrian, B.  
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Berry, T.  
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Cant, A. C.  
Cook, J.  
Cook, B. C.  
Crawford, J.  
Cooke, H.  
Campbell, I.  
Chapman, A.  
Davey, W.

Dunn, S.  
Driscoll, K.  
Elrington, R.  
Flanders, K.  
Frazer, D.  
Gallagher, J.  
Gwynne, J. H.  
Jones, R.  
Halsted, D.  
Harris, C.  
Hayman, C. K.  
Hayman, M.  
Hodgson, J.  
Hoy, W.

Lancaster, E.  
Little, E.  
Lincoln, J.  
Lewis, G.  
Little, J.  
Lawson, H. K.  
Mays, A. A.  
MacLennan, M.  
O'Brien, F. W.  
O'Donnell, F.  
Robinson, E.  
Robertson, B.  
Rudd, E.  
Roper, A.

Soman, L.  
Sheridan, N. B.  
Saville, N.  
Searle, C.  
Sharp, A.  
Smith, E.  
Trumper, V.  
Underwood, E.  
Van-Epen, K.  
Walker, K.  
Watkins, K.  
Wheeler, I.  
Watson, B.  
Woodhouse, L.

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## Report of General Committee and Treasurer's Statement, Season 1940-41

To the Members.

GENTLEMEN,

Your Committee presents for consideration and adoption, at a very grave period in our history, the sixty-third Annual Report and Financial Statement.

Cricket was played last season while our enemies continued to rage war against our people. Vacancies in teams were caused by members joining the colours, and carrying out obligations to the Militia training, but, despite all this, your Club was able to field four teams each Saturday. However, with a much greater call expected on our man power in the future, your Committee will need to give much thought to the advisability of placing four teams in the field next season.

Whilst it is realized that competitions are now a very minor factor in our national life; it is nevertheless felt that matches should, if possible, be played in a competitive spirit. The introduction of Non-Competition matches would not produce sufficient interest to the player and the public. It is hoped, therefore, that nothing will be done to the principle of running competition matches, at present in operation.

Your Committee regrets to report that, for some time past, the Daily Press has been giving prominence and allotting considerable space to horse racing and dog racing, while team games, such as cricket, are largely overlooked. Each season it has been noticeable that space has been gradually reduced; thus cricket lovers, who are unable to attend matches, are denied news, and in consequence of this scanty publicity, cricket, and indeed all field games, are placed at a disadvantage to horse racing and dog racing.

It cannot be denied that field games, such as cricket, has in the past contributed largely to the character building of the nation, and we trust that everything will be done in the future to stimulate interest, so that the welfare of these games will be assured.

It is pleasing to report the improved position of your Club in the Championship; from last in the preceding year, it finished in 11th position. The respective teams finished in the following positions: 1st Team 14th, 2nd Team 11th, 3rd Team 12th, Shires 10th, A. W. Green Shield 8th. The activities of the teams are reported, very briefly, as follows:—

FIRST GRADE.—It was anticipated that this team would have been more successful, possessing, as it did, many young players who had had previous experience in this grade. It failed in general field play, in addition to revealing weaknesses in each department. There were, nevertheless, some fine individual performances throughout the season. Most pleasing, however, was the keenness displayed and the harmony enjoyed by all the players.

The batting strength of the side lacked consistency; runs being hard to make. The bowling also was weak, the side badly missing the services of another bowler of class. The fielding at times was of high standard, except for occasional lapses.

D. Frazer, who was the outstanding batsman, scored the most runs and obtained the highest average. He also kept wickets with distinction. B. Cook played vigorously at all times, whilst E. Smith played his part as a useful opening batsman. E. Robinson had the misfortune to sustain a fractured jaw in a match against Glebe, which militated against his best form. He, however, returned to good form by scoring a century against Randwick.

J. Hodgson was the most improved batsman in the Club. His improvement is pleasing to those who had placed so much faith in his ability. He also showed skill as a fieldsman, and possesses latent ability as a bowler. He shows signs of an all-rounder of exceptional promise.



V. Trumper bore the brunt of a weak bowling attack. He bowled the most overs, and captured the greatest number of wickets. E. Robinson shows great promise as a bowler, whilst B. Adrian showed some of his old form.

Your Committee regrets to report losing H. K. Lawson next season. He will qualify for Central Cumberland. Keith gave good service to this Club as a player and an administrator. We wish him well with his new Club.

Your Club had the pleasure of having two of its members gain selection with the New South Wales Team, namely, V. Trumper and B. Cook. Trumper played against Queensland with success, and toured the Southern States with the team. B. Cook, playing against Queensland, was unfortunate not to get a start, and, to the disappointment of those who enjoy his vigorous batting, was dropped from the team.

C. Cant, who led the side, took an interest in his task, and showed a keen desire at all times to do the best for his team.

H. Austin, who is now looked upon as the Manager of the First Team, again carried out his duty with great satisfaction.

SECOND GRADE.—This team improved its position from 14th in the preceding year to 11th. B. F. Watson headed the batting average, and scored 629 runs, more than any other member. It is pleasing to record how this player has maintained good form for so many seasons. His aggressive batting is always pleasing to the onlooker.

E. Rudd and E. Little showed form at times, and played some good innings. E. Little was severely handicapped by a wrist injury that interfered with his batting.

C. Hayman with his "slows" secured the bowling average, while H. Cooke obtained the most wickets. E. Underwood, playing his first season on turf wickets, bowled well on occasions.

C. Harris, who captained this side, kept wickets early in the season; was later superseded by M. Hayman, who also showed form with the gloves.

THIRD GRADE.—This team performed reasonably well, and had some excellent wins. It won three matches outright, three on the first innings, but unfortunately lost five outright.

R. Jones was the most successful player in the team, winning both batting and bowling averages in this, his first season on turf wickets. It was indeed a fine performance, which should earn for him a well earned promotion to higher grade next season. The team was composed chiefly of young players, including J. Crawford, J. Gwynne and K. Driscoll. When playing against Randwick, J. Gwynne secured in the second innings three wickets with three consecutive balls.

N. Saville, who captained the team, held the respect of the players, and carried out his job with enthusiasm and success.

SHIRES TEAM.—This team, captained by W. Davey, suffered by frequent changes in personnel, and was unable to develop proper team-work. It finished in 10th position. The batting average was won by K. Flanders, while F. W. O'Brien, R. Elrington and C. Brickhill showed good form. N. Shorrocks, a product of the coaching class, won the bowling average, while I. Campbell, M. MacLennan, and I. Wheeler bowled well on occasions. The thanks of the Club are due to W. Davey for managing this team, and looking after the interest of the players.

POIDEVIN-GRAY TEAM.—This team did not play as well as previous teams. The loss of such players as D. Frazer, last year's captain, and G. Lewis, who joined the Navy, weakened the side.

J. Hodgson won the batting average with 27.71, and E. Robinson won the bowling average with 15.45. R. Jones also did well in this competition.

A. W. GREEN SHIELD TEAM.—This team finished 9th in the competition. G. Taylor captained the side. J. Gurd was the outstanding batsman.

It is hoped that this competition will be introduced again next season. The administrators must not lose any opportunity of catering for the requirements of schoolboys.

ENLISTMENTS IN ARMED FORCES.—Since the commencement of the War, a number of members have joined the colours; amongst those are: Messrs. W. WALLACH, W. GAGIE, E. STEVENS, G. STEVENS, P. MINNETT, H. COOKE, G. LEWIS, R. BENNETT, V. TAYLOR, J. COAPE-SMITH, H. JOCKEL, W. WALTON, J. H. LORD, R. BROWETT. To these gentlemen we extend our sincere congratulations and very best wishes. The Hon. Secretary would be glad to receive the names of any members omitted from the list above.

UMPIRES.—Difficulty was experienced in obtaining umpires for some of the matches; indeed some of the lower grade matches were played without umpires. An appeal is now made to any person desirous of becoming an umpire to join the Umpires' Association. Any further information on this matter may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary.

MANLY OVAL.—Our thanks are expressed to the Manly Council and its Officers, for co-operation offered during the season. Particularly do we place on record the ingenuity of the Engineer, Mr. Graham, in boring for water during the severe drought conditions. The Club desires to place on record the ex-



cellent work performed by the curator, Mr. Harry Bray. Harry commenced his duties with a superficial knowledge only of preparing wickets, but by a willingness to listen to others, and a keen application to his work, he succeeded in his task. Our thanks in this matter are offered to Mr. Keith Johnson Hon. Sec., Mosman Club, for arranging for Harry to visit Rawson Oval. Mr. Jim Randell, too, gave willingly the benefit of his knowledge.

**BROOKVALE OVAL.**—Your Committee regrets to report that the wickets and outfield at Brookvale Park were not up to standard. The water restrictions may have partly contributed to the bad state of the Oval.

**SUCCESSFUL CLUBS.**—Your Club extends congratulations to the following Clubs on successes obtained in the following competitions:—St. George, 1st Grade; Waverley, 2nd Grade; Gordon, 3rd Grade; St. George Club, Champions; Western Suburbs, "A" Shires; Lane Cove, "B" Shires; St. George, A. W. Green Shield. We also offer our congratulations to the winnings Clubs in our Junior Association.

**COACHING CLASS.**—For the ninth consecutive year, coaching for boys was conducted on the Oval on Saturday mornings. The attendances were not so large, but the quality of the material offering was of high class. It is the opinion of the coaches that some of the boys will strengthen the club in the near future. The Committee extends thanks to Messrs. Randell, Lowe and Gwynne for carrying on with this work.

**PRACTICE CAPTAIN.**—Mr. Tom Madden again officiated on the Oval, conducting the practice at the nets. It is needless to state how much this important work is appreciated by the Committee and Members.

**DELEGATES.**—Your Delegates attended regularly at the meetings of the N.S.W.C.A. Mr. R. A. Oxlade was again elected Chairman of the Executive Committee and a Delegate to the Australian Board of Control. Mr. L. W. Gwynne was elected a member of the Grade Committee.

**AFTERNOON TEA.**—Your Club again thanks Mrs. Harold Austin for controlling the afternoon tea arrangements during the progress of first grade matches.

**AUDITORS.**—We again thank our Auditors, Messrs. G. Dunlop and J. Searle. Mr. Searle, who played with your 1st Eleven in other days, became a married man recently, and receives our best wishes in his new venture.

**PICTURE NIGHTS.**—Two picture nights were held, but were not very well patronised by the members. It is the intention in the future, to persevere with these functions with a view to raising funds.

In the latter part of the season Mr. Archie Mays, the manager of the New Manly Theatre, and a member of this Club, issued complimentary tickets to the successful players on the Oval each Saturday. He also entertained the 1st Team at his theatre, which was much appreciated.

**LOCAL PRESS.**—We extend our thanks to "The Manly Daily" and the "Manly and Warringah" newspaper for supplying publicity and the result of grade matches. Our Club is also grateful to our publicity officer, known to members as "Sea-Kay," for interesting articles on club activity.

**THANKS.**—Our thanks are extended to our Vice-Presidents for kindly financial assistance; to Mr. G. W. Lowe, in obtaining a long list of associate members; to Mr. Don. McIntyre, Manly Sporting Union.

**OBITUARY.**—It is with deep regret that your Club record the death of Mr. R. K. Walton, a Vice-President for many years, father of "Kinder" and grandfather of "Bill."

It has been reported in the daily press, and your Club record, with regret, the death of Richard Waddy, who was a member of this Club in 1935-36 season. He was killed in action on active service. Another sportsman has nobly laid down his life for his country. He is the son of Mr. Gar. Waddy, the famous batsman of other days.

Your Committee reports, with regret, the passing of Mr. R. C. M. Boyce. He was a member of the Executive of the New South Wales Cricket Association, and an official of the Gordon Club. He represented the State as a batsman, and gave much excellent service as a legislator of cricket.

Our sympathy goes out to the relatives of these gentlemen, and cricket is indeed the poorer for their passing.

**CONCLUSION.**—We are now approaching the third year of this terrible War. What the future hold for us time alone will tell. It should, however, be impressed on all concerned that everything must be done to increase the maximum war effort, whether it be by raising funds through our Club organisation, or any other effort that may be approved. We must also be content not to place too much thought and energy on this great game of ours, but rather to play cricket on Saturday afternoons for exercise and recreation only. Then, when the war clouds have passed away, and our Empire survives victorious, there can then be a revival of enthusiasm for the game, greater than that experienced after the Great War.

For and on behalf of the Committee,

R. A. OXLADE, President.

L. W. GWYNNE, Honorary Secretary.



# AVERAGES

## 1st GRADE BATTING AVERAGES.

	Ins.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Avg.
D. Frazer	18	2	93	543	33.93
B. Cook	19	—	112	506	26.63
E. Smith	14	—	83	345	24.57
J. Hodgson	17	4	90	307	23.61
C. Cant	15	2	70	257	19.77
E. Robinson	16	—	102	310	19.37
H. K. Lawson	18	—	44	243	13.50
G. Lewis	8	3	31	55	11.00
E. Little	6	—	32	55	9.16
E. Rudd	9	1	32	60	7.50
V. Trumper	8	2	8	32	5.33

Also batted.—A. Roper, 3 for 15; J. Lincoln, 4 for 33; F. O'Donnell, 5 for 19.

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## 1st GRADE BOWLING AVERAGES.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Avg.
J. Lincoln	29	5	98	7	14.00
V. Trumper	91	12	506	28	18.32
E. Robinson	72.6	2	349	16	21.93
B. Adrian	84.3	1	596	25	23.60
E. Rudd	38	2	194	7	27.43
G. Lewis	47	2	246	6	41.00
B. Cook	43.4	—	300	5	60.00

Also bowled.—K. Watkins, 1 wicket for 21; A. Roper, 4 for 142; F. O'Donnell, 2 for 136.

## 2nd GRADE BATTING AVERAGES.

	Ins.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Avg.
B. F. Watson	17	2	113x	629	41.93
E. Little	7	—	72	217	31.00
E. Rudd	7	—	90	213	30.43
K. Watkins	10	2	50x	205	25.62
A. Roper	9	6	24x	61	20.31
C. K. Hayman	17	3	57	275	19.64
C. Harris	17	—	63	301	17.71
H. Cooke	16	4	33x	149	12.04
A. Chapman	16	—	25	166	10.32
E. Underwood	10	1	34	84	9.22
L. Barrett	8	1	22	62	8.85
M. C. Hayman	11	—	24	90	8.17

Also batted.—M. Bosley, 4 innings for 70 runs; J. Hodgson, 1 for 23; J. Coape-Smith, 4 for 6; G. Austin, 6 for 24; C. Searle, 3 for 14; R. Bennett, 1 for 0; D. Halstead, 2 for 1; W. Hoy, 2 for 1; A. Sharpe, 6 for 26; J. Crawford, 2 for 19; F. O'Donnell, 5 for 36; J. Gallagher, 2 for 6.

## 2nd GRADE BOWLING AVERAGES.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Avg.
C. K. Hayman	68.4	5	281	18	15.61
H. Cooke	121.4	5	612	37	16.54
E. Underwood	72.7	4	325	18	18.06
A. Sharp	43.3	5	183	9	20.33
E. Rudd	38.1	3	165	8	20.62
A. Roper	72.2	4	315	15	21.00
G. Austin	73.2	4	319	11	29.00
F. O'Donnell	35.4	1	246	6	41.00

Also bowled.—K. Van-Epen, no wickets for 9 runs; M. Bosley, 6 for 52 runs.

## 3rd GRADE BATTING AVERAGES.

	Ins.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Avg.
R. Jones	22	1	78	521	24.80
J. Crawford	14	2	53	231	17.58
J. H. Gwynne	8	—	54	123	15.37
D. Halstead	8	—	41	110	13.75
W. Hoy	16	1	36	166	11.06
K. Driscoll	16	6	24	109	10.90
N. Saville	20	1	37	167	8.26
R. Lancaster	9	—	18	69	7.65
W. Graham	11	—	19	70	6.36
I. Wheeler	8	3	14	30	6.00
A. Sharpe	7	1	15	33	5.50
L. Woodhouse	10	—	14	40	4.00

Also batted.—A. Chapman, 3 innings for 160 runs; A. Roper, 2 for 11; K. Watkins, 2 for 55; B. Miles, 2 for 12; N. Colless, 2 for 6; J. Gallagher, 5 for 77; T. Berry, 4 for 59; W. Bassett, 4 for 5; S. Dunn, 2 for 4; W. O'Brien, 3 for 26; A. Underwood, 2 for 82; K. Van-Epen, 3 for 35; J. Coape-Smith, 4 for 43; J. Lincoln, 2 for 49; R. Elrington, 7 for 26; C. Brickhill, 4 for 11; L. Barrett, 2 for 20; L. Soman, 3 for 11.

## 3rd GRADE BOWLING AVERAGES.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Avg.
R. Jones	172	16	643	61	10.54
A. Sharpe	63	7	241	22	10.95
J. H. Gwynne	47	6	200	15	14.26
W. H. Hoy	68	3	324	19	17.05
T. Berry	28	—	122	6	20.33
W. H. Bassett	86.5	5	448	22	20.36

Also bowled.—A. Roper, 6 wickets for 66 runs; K. Watkins, 2 for 56; N. Colless, 1 for 58; J. Crawford, 1 for 24; A. Chapman, 0 for 10; S. Dunn, 0 for 23; A. Underwood, 4 for 31; D. Halstead, 1 for 23; J. Lincoln, 4 for 70; R. Elrington, 7 for 79; C. Brickhill, 1 for 78; I. Wheeler, 3 for 63; L. Soman, 0 for 32.

## SHIRE BATTING AVERAGES.

	Ins.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Avg.
K. Flanders	9	2	72	175	25.00
C. Brickhill	5	—	54	125	25.00
A. Sharpe	8	1	45	166	23.71
J. Gwynne	12	2	38	151	15.10
W. O'Brien	15	—	62	209	13.93
J. Cook	13	1	32	157	13.08
I. Campbell	11	4	21	83	11.85
N. Shorrocks	7	—	30	83	11.85
R. Elrington	10	2	27	92	11.50
G. Taylor	9	—	31	102	11.33
B. Sheridan	5	—	25	53	10.60
B. Robinson	7	1	19	60	10.00
E. Lancaster	6	1	26x	37	7.40
M. MacLennan	11	3	26	50	6.25
W. Davey	18	—	16	84	4.66
J. Little	10	—	5	24	2.40

Also batted.—J. Crawford, 2 innings for 48 runs; T. Berry, 1 for 0; A. Walker, 6 for 8; C. Searle, 2 for 20; K. Cole, 4 for 9; N. Colless, 1 for 25; I. Wheeler, 2 for 43; L. Soman, 1 for 11; K. Walker, 3 for 47; J. Gurd, 2 for 35.

## SHIRE BOWLING AVERAGES.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Avg.
N. Shorrocks	28	—	168	17	9.98
I. Campbell	88	17	276	27	10.04
A. Sharpe	56	4	251	24	10.51
M. MacLennan	38	3	193	17	11.23
I. Wheeler	31	3	157	12	13.08
R. Elrington	38	1	221	12	18.41
J. Gwynne	45	3	206	10	20.60

Also bowled.—T. Berry, 1 wicket for 23; R. Robinson, 4 for 81; W. O'Brien, 4 for 68; J. Crawford, 0 for 26; E. Lancaster, 0 for 9; J. Cook, 0 for 44; G. Taylor, 1 for 54.



# MANLY DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR SEASON 1940-41.

### RECEIPTS.

	£	s	d
Balance from Season 1939-40 .....	26	13	3
Subscriptions, 1940-41 .....	38	9	6
Donations .....	14	12	0
Percentage of Gate Receipts .....	21	13	2
Associate Members .....	14	16	0
Arrears Subscriptions, 1939-40 .....	4	4	0
Ground and Net Fees .....	42	15	9
Entertainments .....	19	6	
Miscellaneous .....	3	2	9
	<u>£167</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>11</u>

### PAYMENTS.

	£	s	d
Repairs and Material .....	46	10	8
Ground and Affiliation Fees .....	41	2	0
Printing, Stationery, Advertising .....	9	15	4
Postages .....	4	5	6
Rent .....	6	0	0
Insurances .....	2	0	0
Scoring Board Fees and Expenses .....	1	14	0
Telephone .....	7	0	0
Players' Expenses .....	2	1	0
Miscellaneous .....	9	15	6
Balance Forward, 1941-42 .....	37	1	11
	<u>£167</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>11</u>

I hereby certify that I have audited the Books, Receipts and Vouchers of the Manly District Cricket Club for the year ended 31st May, 1941, and that in my opinion the above Statement is properly drawn up in accordance therewith.

GEO. M. DUNLOP, Auditor.

18/6/41.