



Manly District Cricket Club

NOTICE is hereby given that the SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the MANLY DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB will be held in the MANLY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, on THURSDAY, 13th JULY, 1950, at 7.45 p.m.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND

BUSINESS:

- (1) To receive the Seventy-second Annual Report of the General Committee and the Honorary Treasurer's Balance Sheet.
- (2) To elect Office-bearers and General Committee for the ensuing season.
- (3) To transact any other business that may be brought forward in conformity with the Rules and By-Laws of the Club.

GEORGE LOWE,

Hon. Secretary.

73 North Steyne, Manly. XU 2410.

N.B.—You are requested to bring this Report with you to the Annual General Meeting. Only financial Members will be allowed to vote.

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Officer - Bearers, 1949-50

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C. Max Hayman.

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C. K. Hayman.

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Delegates to M. & W.J.C.A.:

R. A. Oxlade and George Lowe. C. Max Hayman and C. Hattenfels.

General Committee:

N. Sutherland, E. Smith, C. Hattenfels, B. Adrian, D. Frazer, J. Blades, V. Brown, B. C. Cook, G. Morrow.

Provisional Selectors:

N. Sutherland, G. W. Lowe, K. Miller, L. W. Gwynne, B. C. Cook.

Permanent Selectors:

Grade Teams: Messrs. G. W. Lowe and Respective Captains. Other Teams: Messrs. Lowe, Hattenfels, and Gwynne.

Hon. Auditors:

Messrs I I. Searle F.C.A. (Aust.), and G. M. Dunlop.

Manly District Cricket Club SEASON 1949-1950.

SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET.

Gentlemen,---

The Management Committee has the honour to present with much satisfaction the Seventy-second Annual Report & Balance Sheet for consideration and adoption. After participating for the past thirty (30) years as Manly in the First Grade Competition, we are delighted to report that the First Eleven was successful in winning the N.S.W.C. Association Premiership.

Furthermore, the boys of the Club under the age of twenty-one (21) years won the Poidevin-Gray Shield. The winning of this Competition is particularly pleasing, as it should augur well for the success of the Club for some years to come, realizing that with the exception of one lad, all the others were under the age of twenty (20) years.

It is with a feeling of extreme satisfaction to believe that our wins in both these competitions are welcomed by the Officials of grade and kindred clubs, as well as cricket enthusiasts everywhere. This is borne out by the numerous congratulations that have come to hand, and also by the eulogistic utterances at the Celebration Dinner held on the 1st June at the Pacific Hotel, when one hundred and sixty prominent representatives of all walks of life were present to honour the guests of the evening.

Although struggling for most seasons near the bottom of the competition ladder, our obligations were always met and the games greatly enjoyed by our players, and we have no cause to doubt by our opponents as well. Our members at all times endeavoured to play the game as all thorough sportsmen desire it to be played.

We entered four (4) teams in the N.S.W.C.A. Grade Competitions, one (1) Junior team in the Manly and Warringah Junior C.A., and also took part in the Poidevin-Gray and A. W. Green Shield Competitions. The Club finished in sixth position in the Club Championship, and had we the services of our four (4) representatives who were playing for either Australia or N.S.W. throughout most of the season, it is reasonable to assume a higher place in the Club Championship may have been reached. Their absence naturally weakened the lower grade sides.

lst GRADE REVIEW.

This team won eight (8) games, including one (1) outright, five (5) were drawn and two (2) were lost on the first innings, eventually finishing on top of the Competition with 81 points. Manly scored 2773 runs for the loss of 117 wickets at an average of 23.70. Opponents 2513 runs for 146 wickets, the average being 17.21.

It has been said that the state of the weather came to our aid in the closing matches of the season. This assertion may or may not have been so. It is open to conjecture. What we do know is that the side when at full strength, unaided by luck, had very pronounced wins in the early part of the season. Then it became depleted by the loss of three (3) of its stars, firstly Keith Miller, the Captain of the team, regarded by many as the world's foremost all-rounder; secondly Jim Burke, whose ability in all departments of the game is also well-known; and thirdly fast bowler Tom Brooks, who did such a splendid job in helping N.S.W. to retain the Sheffield Shield. On top of this, Alan Walker, the State's leading bowler of the previous season, touring with the Australian Eleven in South Africa. We also remember the team fighting out of seemingly hopeless positions to win the matches against Cumberland and Northern Districts, and who is to guarantee the same result would have been impossible in the games at the latter part of the season ?

With the absence of the abovementioned players, the side had to be reconstructed under a fresh captain, as well as being without the services of the wicket-keeper, Dudley Frazer, who was enjoying his best season, and now unable to play for several matches on account of an unfortunate accident. Under all these obstacles the team, guided by Bruce Cook, fought splendidly to retain their lead and to thoroughly deserve the Premiership.

At the commencement, the able leadership of Keith Miller instilled the members with the necessary enthusiasm that is so vitally needed to urge them to give of their best. This happy state continued when Bruce Cook took charge, and fine team-spirit endured to the end of the season. The field work was of a reasonable standard, with the exception of the "slips" position. Too often our bowlers suffered unduly from catching errors. In contrast, young Jim Kennedy set a fine example with the agility displayed, clean handling and accurate returns.

A marked event was the sound wicket-keeping of Dudley Frazer. In fourteen (14) innings, totalling 2111 runs scored by the opposition, he allowed only 47 byes, mainly from a fast bowling attack. In compensation, he held 19 catches and effected 4 stumpings—a truly grand effort.

When the side was minus its main bowling strength, John Gwynne and Col. Graham took over the attack, and did a remarkable job right to the end. John won the bowling average for the second year in succession, taking 30 wickets at 14.70. Col. Graham's figures do not at all describe his great value to the side. He was the main sufferer from the epidemic of dropped slip catches. On one innings alone six catches from his deliveries went to the ground.

Doug Dives took the batting honours with 313 runs, averaging 44.71, including two (2) well compiled century innings of 106 and 101 at a time when they were sorely needed. This youth is a fine stroke maker with fast footwork, as well as being gifted with plenty of courage and confidence. Other grand features were Vic Brown's brilliant innings of 100, 81, 78, 52, and the highest aggregate of 476 runs; Jim Burke, 100 and 57; Bruce Cook, 82 not out; Keith Miller, 82; Dud Frazer, 59; John Gwynne, 56 not out; and Eddie Robinson with 54 runs.

With the ball, John Gwynne, 6 wickets for 38 runs v. Cumberland, 6 for 40 v. Paddington, 5 for 52 v. Petersham; Tom Brooks 5 for 21 v. Balmain; Col. Graham 5 for 38 v. Petersham; and Eddie Robinson 5 for 54 runs against St. George.

The fastest partnerships were between Tom Brooks and Jim Kennedy of 61 runs in 25 minutes, and 100 runs in 67 minutes by Dud Frazer and Jim Burke.

SECOND GRADE REVIEW.

This team finished in twelfth position, winning four matches, losing six, one of which being outright, and drew five, winding up with 53 competition points. 138 wickets were lost for 2940 runs, at an average of 21.30. Its opponents' figures were 123 wickets for 2731 runs, at an average of 22.20, showing a slight difference of .90 against.

The members played excellent cricket for most part, and had the personnel not been disturbed so much through elevations, a higher position in the competition table could have reasonably been expected. Bruce Adrian captained the side in the early matches, and on his promotion to the 1st eleven, the vice-captain, Ewart Smith, took charge. Geoff Morrow headed the batting with an average of 52.28, scoring 366 runs, and also finished third in the bowling. He was most consistent and scored a splendid century against Mosman. Others to bat well were Bruce Adrian, Jim Kennedy, Ewart Smith (with the highest aggregate, namely 378 runs), Peter Philpott, John Nelson and Nigel Sutherland.

In the bowling department, Col. Graham took the honours with 11 wickets at an average of 13.90, followed by Bruce Adrian, Geoff Morrow, Ken Watkins, Harry Warder and Nigel Sutherland.

Fourteen-years-old Peter Philpott also displayed fine all-round ability. John Nelson gave good service behind the wicket, catching six and stumping four batsmen. Scores of 50 and over came from Geoff Morrow, 131 against Mosman, 57 not out v. Glebe, 56 v. Northern Districts, and 53 v. Petersham. Ewart Smith also topped the century with a fine captain's innings of 110 against St. George and followed on with 75 v. Mosman. Jim Kennedy 69 v. Gordon and 63 v. North Sydney. Bruce Adrian 63 v. Balmain and 57 v. Paddington. Peter Philpott 66 v. Paddington. Nigel Sutherland 62 v. St. George, and Col. Graham 55 against North Sydney.

Takers of 5 wickets or more were : Bruce Adrian 6 for 34 runs v. Paddington, and 5 for 89 v. Gordon. N. Sutherland 5 for 45 v. Cumberland, and Harry Warder 5 for 46 against St. George. Ewart Smith was very alert on the field and set an excellent example by holding 10 catches.

THIRD GRADE REVIEW.

This team improved to twelfth position from sixteenth the previous season. It registered 46 points by winning one (1) match outright, three (3) on 1st innings, four (4) were drawn and seven (7) lost, including one outright game. The side mainly was comprised of prospective boys. Much enthusiasm and energy was displayed, but the lack of experience handicapped them against more senior opponents.

It was not until the season was well on its ways that they settled down and gained a number of successes. Their outcricket and bowling were stronger than the batting, which was not always reliable. Norman Verity headed the batting average with the highest aggregate of 309 runs, averaging 22.0 per innings. Max Hayman, Ted Roberts, Alan Treloar and John Dower batted well at times.

Peter Goodall, who led the bowling with an average of 9.1 for 11 wickets, provided necessary variety to the attack. Harry Warder, who was later promoted to the second grade, secured most wickets, 27 for 11.9 apiece. It was left to Len Soman and Bill Rome to bear the brunt of the bowling and both obtained good results.

Ted Roberts kept wickets in a very satisfactory manner, taking seven catches and making four stumpings. Max Hayman, the Captain of the team, brought off nine catches.

FOURTH GRADE REVIEW.

This team won only one (1) match, drew five (5), lost four (4) outright, and five (5) on the 1st innings, and finished in sixteenth (16th) place in the competition table with 28 points. Its performances were very disheartening. There appeared to be a lack of team spirit.

Three (3) different captains acted at various periods and the only improvement noticeable was that towards the end—the team-work looked to be better. They totalled 1913 runs for an average of 11.7 against 2277 runs at an average of 19.5 by their opponents. The two (2) leading players in the side were Douglas Ferguson, wicketkeeper and Captain, who scored 293 runs, averaging 19.5, with the highest total, 75 runs, and right-arm opening bowler Lynn Cameron, who secured 31 wickets at the low average of 11.8, taking 8 for 46 against Randwick, and 5 for 22 v. St. George—very praisworthy performances.

Others to do well with the ball were Harry Frazer 7 for 18 against Western Suburbs, and Arthur Evans 5 for 67 runs v. Northern Districts.

MANLY DISTRICT JUNIOR REVIEW.

This Junior team was not as successful as in the previous year. The Club does not expect results as far as the competition table is concerned. The main purpose is to give the boys match experience so when the occasion arises to be called upon for the grade sides, they will be more fitted to fill the vacancy.

In addition, being products of the Coaching Class, it is also a means of retaining them as members of our Club, and tends to preserve their interests in cricket; otherwise, there is a possibility they may wander into other spheres of sport.

Des Ellis was the outstanding batsman, scoring 471 runs at 52.0, including a splendid century innings of 165 not out. Des is very forceful, and obtains his runs in good style—a prospect for next season.

John Cunningham, Tom Reid, Keith Simmons and Ken Jones are lads to be watched for in the future. Lindsay Collins secured the bowling average of 32 wickets at 11.2. This boy has plenty of pace, but only time will improve his length and direction. Keith Simmons did a good job as wicketkeeper. Charlie Hattenfels was again in charge of the team, and the committee is assured that they were in excellent hands.

POIDEVIN-GRAY SHIELD TEAM REVIEW.

This team was successful in winning the Poidevin-Gray Shield for the first time, the nearest in attainment being in 1930-31, when we won our Division, but met defeat in the final. The present side thoroughly deserved the honour, as they displayed excellent cricket throughout.

Seven (7) matches were played including the final, five (5) being won, one (1) drawn, and the other lost on the first innings. The toss was against the team on each occasion, except once, and furthermore they were without the assistance of the Club's two (2) leading boys—Jim Burke and Doug Dives. Under the able leadership of Geoff Morrow, the team spirit was splendid, every member at one time or another rising to the occasion.

Their work on the field of play could hardly be faulted, especially in the final, when every Cumberland batsman was dismissed by being caught.

Those to show out prominently were the Captain, Geoff Morrow, who accounted for twenty-six (26) wickets at an average of 11.3. His wonderful performance in the final, when he took eight (8) wickets for 25 runs, gave his side the premiership. The Vice-Captain and stylist, Brian Taylor, was most consistent, scoring 241 runs at the splendid average of 40.1, which gave him the batting honours.

Jim Kennedy played a match-winning innings of 108 not out against Northern Districts, and Peter Gwynne with 52 against North Sydney, and Norman Verity's 71 v. Mosman greatly assisted in giving the team points.

The wicket-keeping of Ted Roberts was a feature of the series, accounting for 14 catches and 3 stumpings in only six (6) games. He gave a brilliant exhibition against Mosman when he took six (6) catches in the one innings. Peter Philpott's all-round ability was most pronounced, being second in the batting with an average of 33.4 and in a similar position in the bowling, taking 15 wickets at 16.0—magnificent figures for one so young. A bright future is predicted for this lad.

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The whole competition was played in a splendid manner by all teams and New South Wales has nothing to fear as regards cricket ability and sportsmen in the seasons ahead.

A. W. GREEN SHIELD REVIEW.

Five (5) matches were played, one (1) being won, one (1) resulted in a tie, another drawn, and two (2) lost, the points amounting to 18. This team suffered from field errors, especially the dropping of catches at vital times, greatly affecting the final results. Particular attention must be paid to this department of the game to bring success.

The Capain, Peter Philpott, was the star of the side, scoring 171 runs at an average of 57 with the bat, and captured 21 wickets at an average of 11.3. He was again selected in the Combined A. W. Green Shield team to play Combined Country and Newcastle boys, respectively, being appointed Captain. The side was capably led and proved victorious in both matches. Success came to him in both departments of the games, and his work on the field was most impressive. In the match against Newcastle, he was instrumental in dismissing the three (3) early batsmen by splendid fielding, causing run-outs and brilliantly caught the next one.

This is the fourth year that Peter has played in these annual matches, and is still under the restricted age of sixteen (16) years, thus allowing him to participate, if selected, in another. With the exception of one (1) lad, Grant Le Huray, of Western Suburbs, who has played in three games, no other boy, to our knowledge, has represented more than twice.

Others to do well were Ken Jones with the highest score of 71, and Brian Sloggett with a fine innings of 50 runs. In all, 623 runs were scored at an average of 14.1, against 679 at an average of 16.5 by the opposition. Keith Simmons, the custodian, showed much enthusiasm, and there is a likelihood that he will be a fine asset when he matures.

SUCCESSFUL CLUBS.

The Committee offers heartiest congratulations to the following Clubs in winning their respective competitions :--

Waverley—2nd Grade Northern Districts—3rd Grade St. George—4th Grade. Waverley—Club Championship. Burwood—Municipal-Shire "A" Division. Bankstown—Municipal-Shire "B" Division. Randwick—A. W. Green Shield.

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS.

KEITH MILLER.—Congratulations are extended again to Keith Miller for representing, and in addition, being elected Captain of New South Wales, which eventually retained the Sheffield Shield. Keith proved himself a thorough sportsman when he answered the call to strengthen Australia in South Africa. His deeds in that country went far to give Australia such overwhelming victory .This Club is proud to have this great cricketer in its ranks, both off and on the field.

ALAN WALKER.—Congratulations are also extended to Alan Walker in being selected for the Australian team to tour South Africa. Alan becomes the first Australian representative of this Club, who is local born and learned his cricket in the district. We feel that he will prove a stiff problem for any opposition to face on our faster wickets.

JAMES BURKE.—Congratulations are also offered to Jim Burke for his splendid performance for the State side in Sheffield Shield series, as well as earning his selection in the the Australian team to New Zealand, where as opening batsman, proved most successful. Particularly do we recall his great courage and fortitude in going to the rescue of N.S.W. at the S.C.G., suffering with a broken finger. We have every confidence that Jim, gifted with all-round ability, will represent Australia for many years to come. This fine youthful sportsman is a local production, and with his genial personality is a credit to the game.

THOMAS BROOKS.—Congratulations are further extended to this stout-hearted cricketer for his match winning achievements for N.S.W. in Sheffield Shield cricket last season. His bowling, particularly on the Southern Tour, was largely instrumental in this State's success, and his victorious and fighting innings at the Sydney Cricket Ground against Queensland when a win seemed hopeless. We would have liked Tom in the team to New Zealand. Nevertheless, we wish him well in the future.

SOCIAL MATCHES.

The Annual Festival Match at Christmas time again took place and all who participated had an enjoyable day. The proceeds of the game, namely, $\pounds 11/16/6$, was donated to the Manly Youth Movement through the Manly Municipal Council. The Mayor, Ald. C. R. Scharkie, kindly provided luncheon on the day.

The usual fixture against the N.S.W. Teachers was revived after a lapse of war years. The Club provided refreshments, and all voted it a splendid day's outing.

We are indebted to the N.S.W.C.A. for arranging a 2-day game between an Association side and the Australian Combined Junior team. This was played at Manly Oval on the 1st and 2nd January last. It was a match of considerable interest although, unfortunately, weather conditions interfered with play on the second day.

The Committee regrets to report that the Easter Tour planned to visit Coonamble had to be postponed owing to floods. We deeply sympathise with the members of the Coonamble Association, who suffered heavy loss in stock and property by this misfortune.

Through the N.S.W.C.A., this Club donated the sum of $\pm 10/10/-$ to the Kempsey Cricket Association to aid the replacement of wickets and gear damaged and lost by the flood waters in their district.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES.

ALAN WALKER.—A Club and civic send-off was tendered to Alan Walker, who was selected in the Australian team to tour South Africa. This enjoyable function was held at the Manly Town Hall on the 10th September, 1949. Alan was the recipient of a wallet of notes from the hands of Ald. C. R. Scharkie, Mayor of Manly, who presided, in the presence of a large number of interesting well-wishers.

LESLIE W. GWYNNE—In recognition of the sterling and valued work of our late Honorary Secretary, Les Gwynne, extending over many years. a very pleasant evening was arranged in his honour at the Manly Sporting Union Rooms on the 17th December last. Those who have worked closely with Les for over twenty years fully know the tremendous amount of work he enthusiastically put into effect on behalf of this Club and cricket generally. He was a regular attendant at the N.S.W.C.A. monthly meeting, where he helped in no small measure to look after interests of this Club. He holds Honorary Life Membership badges of both bodies for faithful service rendered. He also served Manly well on the field of play, both as a player and captain, and was one of the greatest players to represent Manly. Besides this he gave of his best for New South Wales in Sheffield Shield cricket. The President, R. A. Oxlade, C.B.E., with well chosen words, handed this man of many parts a magnificent radio set. Small tokens of appreciation were also given to him and his good wife by executive officers of this club. Les suitably replied. Mrs. Gwynne has given much valued help on the social side, and still continues to officiate at afternoon teas in the Manly Pavilion. Early in this year, the President presented Les with his well-deserved Life Membership badge.

KEITH MILLER—At the close of play in the grade match against Gordon, at Chatswood Oval, on the 19th November last, players, officials, and supporters of both clubs gathered together to drink the health of Keith, who had answered in the affirmative the hurried request to join the Australian Team in South Africa. The President, on behalf of this Club, asked Keith to accept a small token in the shape of a Parker Pen, as well as a cut glass water set for his good wife. The gathering ended with three cheers for Keith, with everyone present wishing his a pleasant journey.

JAMES BURKE—One of the most pleasing occasions this Club has ever known was to get together at Manly Oval last January to congratulate Jim on his well deserved selection in the Australian Team to New Zealand. At the same time, our President, in the presence of the St. George and Manly First Elevens, as well as the Country Coaching Boys, gave our representative a commodious travelling bag and wished him an enjoyable and successful tour.

SMOKO—The Committee desire to record that on the last Saturday of the Grade Competition, members of our grade sides got together at Manly Pavilion and invited the University team and friends to join them at a little convivial gathering. Refreshments were served and the season ended on a jovial note.

CELEBRATION DINNER-As a tribute in winning the First Grade Premiership and the Poidevin Gray Shield, as well as to honour its internationals, the Club invited the members of the respective teams to be their guests at a victory celebration dinner at the Pacific Hotel, Manly, on Thursday, 1st June. The President, R. A. Oxlade, C.B.E., welcomed a large and distinguished body of sportsmen and citizens. Toasts to the guests of the evening were duly honoured and we are glad to relate that the function was The musical part of the programme was in the greatly enjoyed by all. capable hands of a former captain of the First XI, Mr. Stan Coltman, who, with the co-operation of the members of this well-known band, kindly gave their services free. The members deeply appreciated this wonderful gesture. Thanks are also offered to Mr. Os. Walters for his honorary services at the piano. Much praise is also due to the Social Committee, particularly our Honorary Treasurer, C. K. Hayman, who was mainly instrumental in making this auspicious occasion such a grand success.

NEW SOUTH WALES CRICKET ASSOCIATION.

We desire to express our thanks to the abovenamed Association for kindly considerations, both monetary and otherwise, received during the past season. We also wish to record our appreciation to the retiring Secretary, Mr. Harold Heydon, the present Secretary, Mr. Alan Barnes(whom we wish all success in his new position), Miss Harrington and Staff, for the help and courtesy extended to our members.

MANLY & WARRINGAH JUNIOR CRICKET ASSOCIATION.

The Committee is most mindful of the co-operation and harmony that has existed over the years between the two bodies. We desire to take this opportunity of thanking the M. & W. J.C.A. for their help at all times, particularly their kindness of allowing the use of grounds, and arranging matches with us at the opening of the season. This action no doubt helped considerably to our success last year, as it enabled the players to get early into form and off to a good start, whereas in previous seasons we took a fair time to find our feet through loss of practice. We offer our congratulations to the winners of their competitions, and wish the Association every success in the future.

COACHING CLASSES.

Last season the Coaching Class functioned for the seventeenth year in succession. The roll up was splendid, and the ability shown on the whole was far above the average. We feel the Club will be very fortunate in this regard for many years to come, a number disclosing excellent talent. The coaches, Jim Randell, Les Gwynne, and George Lowe, are greatly heartened by the fact that new practice wickets have been laid down to operate next season. Good conditions are most essential in order to obtain results from boys learning to play cricket. All lads regardless of age are accepted and encouraged to endow a love for this fine game that is so full of that quality known as team spirit.

PRACTICE CAPTAINS.

Our thanks are again given to Jack Ryan and his assistant, Arthur Braddock, for their valued help at the nets. This Club owes a great debt to Jack, who has obliged us for many years, and all members feel that while this ardent cricket worker is looking after their requirements nothing further is desired. We hope their honorary services will be available again next season.

DELEGATES.

Your delegates were regular in attendance at the meetings of the N.S.W.C.A. The President was re-elected Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Association, and also to the Australian Board of Control for International Cricket. Both positions now being held for many years. Your Honorary Secretary was further appointed to supervise practice at the Sydney Cricket Ground nets by the N.S.W. Practice and State Colts Squads.: He was also requested by the Executive Committee to again take charge of the Country Coaching Boys housed at the Sydney Cricket Ground during January for cricket instruction.

AFTERNOON TEAS

We desire to thank the ladies who served afternoon tea refreshments at the Oval last season, to the players, officials, and spectators. Particularly do we mention Mesdames L. W. Gwynne, Thorburn, L. Hawksford, White, Dower, Burke, Philpott, Smith, P. R. Lowe, and G. W. Lowe, and the Misses Campbell, Hawksford, and Booth. This branch of our activities is a very pleasing one, and we are indeed fortunate to have ladies caring for our welfare in such a manner.

MANLY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

We again wish to accord our appreciation for the assistance now extending over many years from the Manly Councils, particularly the present. The Mayor (Alderman C. R. Scharkie) and his brother Aldermen and Officers, that this Club has been privileged to receive. We desire to emphasise their considerations of recent date. The members are indeed fortunate to have a body of men who are in accord and give their support to this great character building game. No doubt they also realise that it gives recreation and entertainment to many in this district.

WARRINGAH SHIRE COUNCIL.

For the help and sympathetic understanding, we are grateful to the President, Mr. Russell Kent, the Councillors and Officials of the Warringah Shire Council. We feel also that they are behind us in furthering our interests to foster cricket in the Shire.

N.S.W. UMPIRES' ASSOCIATION.

We are again indebted to the members of this body for services rendered during the season. We appeal to every player and spectator to make the difficult task of an umpire a pleasant one. Realize that he is in the best position to give decisions. Besides those taking part, and those looking on, he is fully entitled to enjoy the game, otherwise there would be no sense in the travelling he usually has to do, causing late hours in arriving home for which he practically receives no more than his expenses. We should be thankful that there are men who take such an interest, for without the umpire the game could not survive.

CONDOLENCES.

Since our last Annual Report there has passed from our midst one of our Vice-Presidents in the person of Frank L. Row. Frank was a very old and esteemed member of our Club, having played for many years before becoming a Vice-President. He was also notable in another field of sport, Rugby Union Football, being Captain of the Australian team. As a President of the Manly District Football Club he rendered fine service for a number of years. He regularly attended matches at the Oval and his presence will be sadly missed.

Another Vice-President, Alderman Frank M. Dobbs, Deputy Mayor of the Manly Council, unfortunately met his death by accident last year. He was a consistent supporter of cricket, and his loss will be deeply felt by this Club.

We also record with regret the demise of a former player, Barney McIntosh, the result of another accident. Barney was a popular member of the First Eleven.

The late Mrs. T. F. Summers, the wife of one of our Vice-Presidents, also passed away last July. Mrs. Summers assisted at the afternoon tea at the Oval, and her cheery presence will be sadly missed.

Members will also deeply regret to learn of the death of Mr. Fred Gray, co-donor of the Poidevin-Gray Shield. Mr. Gray had been a visitor with the Australian team in New Zealand, and before the tour ended, decided to fly home in order to be present at the Poidevin Gray final. He passed away suddenly about a week afterwards.

PUBLICITY.

To "The Manly Daily" and "The Manly and Warringah News" we tender our sincerest thanks for the publicity given and the accurate recording of all our matches. This helps to stimulate the interest and bring attendances to our Oval. Without the local press assistance, much sporting news would be absent.

THANKS AND APPRECIATION.

To our Vice-Presidents for their interest and financial support; to our Associate Members, for their attendance at the matches; Honorary Auditors, Messrs. G. M. Dunlop and J. L. Searle, for their long association; our Honorary Treasurer, Mr. C. K. Hayman, for taking care of the finances, as well as acting as Publicity Officer; our team scorers, particularly Mr. Bob Shorrock, who gives his services gratuitously to the 1st Eleven, also Mr. Harold Austin, manager of that team for many valued years; Mr. Wal Lees and Paul Williams ,for their welcome help at the Oval; also Mr. Keith Brunker, and last but not least our Curator, Mr. Bill Bunting, to whom the Club is indebted for assistance to all members. With the new practice wickets and early attention to the centre area, and the help of new gear, such as ground levels, proper coverage for top dressing soil, and the Power Roller and Mower, we know that Bill will do his utmost to produce conditions second to none in the metropolis.

For and on behalf of the Committee,

R. A. OXLADE, C.B.E., President. GEORGE LOWE, Honorary Secretary.

AVERAGES FOR SEASON-1949-50.

FIRST GRADE.

BATTING. No. of Not Highest Total Score Runs Avge. Name Innings Outs 313 44.71 106 10 3 D. Dives 31.73 100 n.o. 476 V. Brown 16 1 31.43 7 100 220 J. Burke 122 24.40 9 4 39 n.o. J. Kennedy 9 2 169 24.31 56 n.o. J. Gwynne 22.00 5 2 38 n.o. 66 T. Brooks 2 21.56 15 82 n.o. 280 B. Cook 32 2 81 20.25 B. Adrian 6 59 184 18.40 D. Frazer 10 -----17.14 54 240 15 1 E. Robinson 16.38 2 28 131 10 B. Taylor 2 34 142 14.20 C. Graham 12 2 20 49 12.25 6 R. Horton

Also Batted-K. Miller, 4 innings (2 not out) for 132 runs; N. Sutherland, 2 for 2; E. Smith, 1 for 14 runs.

BOWLING.

	Overs	Maidens	Wkts.	Runs	Avge.
J. Gwynne	136	17	30	442	14.73
T. Brooks		6	25	409	16.34
E. Robinson	111	15	26	427	16.42
J. Burke	48	3	9	164	18.22
C. Graham	122	12	24	475	19.79

Also Bowled-K. Miller, 6 wickets for 160 runs; B. Cook, 5 for 34; N. Sutherland, 5 for 69; B. Adrian, 5 for 77; D. Dives, 3 for 49; and G. Morrow, 1 for 25 runs.

SECOND GRADE.

BATTING.

	No. of	Not	Highest	Total	
Name	Innings	Outs	Score	Runs	Avge.
G. Morrow	9	2	131	366	52.28
B. Adrian	6	1	63	220	44.0
J. Kennedy	5		69	199	39.8
E. Smith	16	2	110	378	27.0
P. Philpott	8	2	66	146	24.33
J. Nelson	14	3	36	249	22.63
N. Sutherland	8	1	62	140	20.0
R. Horton	9		38	158	17.55
K. Van Epen	15	2	45	206	15.84
R. Watkins	16	6	36	153	15.3
H. Warder	6	3	16	36	12.0
K. Watkins	14	2	41	144	10.28
L. Carter	8	2	13	48	8.0
J. Stevenson	11		16	72	6.54
K. Magor	6		12	27	4.5

Also Batted—C. Graham, 3 innings for 69; J. Gwynne, 2 for 25; J. Haines, 2 for 18; E. Roberts, 2 for 9; T. Hanlon, 1 for 8 n.o.; J. Spence, 1 for 1; R. Letcher, 1 for 0.

BOWLING.

	Overs	Maidens	Wkts.	Runs	Avge.
C. Graham	36	4	11	153	13.90
B. Adrian	50	2	17	240	14.11
G. Morrow	77	9	14	239	17.07
K. Watkins	01	9	17	303	17.82
H. Warder	10	1	11	207	18.81
N. Sutherland	hance	4	15	308	20.53
R. Watkins		7	18	543	30.16
P. Philpott	10	2	6	202	33.66
K. Magor	1-	4	б	233	38.83

Also Bowled—J. Gwynne, 3 wickets for 33 runs; L. Soman, 3 for 33; J. Spence, 2 for 56; T. Hanlon, 2 for 61; E. Smith, 1 for 21; J. Kennedy, 0 for 3; J. Stevenson, 0 for 43.

THIRD GRADE.

BATTING.

	No. of	Not	Highest	Total	
Name	Innings	Outs	Score	Runs	Avge.
N. Verity	16	2	88	309	22.0
M. Hayman	16	1	69	252	18.0
E. Roberts	13	1	37 n.o.	102	17.0
J. Stevenson	5		38	74	14.8
J. Dower	20	1	34	208	10.9
L. Carter	5		29	53	10.6
P. Philpott	6	-	39	63	10.5
P. Goodall	7	1	27	59	9.8
A. Treloar	18	2	50 n.o.	150	9.4
R. Yell	12		26	106	8.8
R. Letcher	12		29	100	8.3
W. Rome	16	2	23	109	7.8
A. Chapman	7		23	49	7.0

Also Batted—L. Soman, 10 innings for 41 runs; H. Warder, 7 for 30; P. Gwynne, 6 for 16; K. Magor, 3 for 19; T. Hanlon, 2 for 35; B. McManus, 2 for 23; C. Watson, 2 for 11; A. Sharp, 1 for 50; D. Spiden, 1 for 14; B. Watkins, 1 for 12; W. O'Brien, 1 for 7; D. Ferguson, 1 for 6; J. Cunningham, 3 for 27; B. Luscombe, 1 for 10 runs.

BOWLING.

	Overs	Maidens	Wkts.	Runs	Avge.
P. Goodall	32	1	11	100	9.1
H. Warder	04	13	27	322	11.9
W. Rome		13	25	370	14.8
		1	6	93	15.5
J. Stevenson	20	2	8	141	17.6
P. Philpott	00	1	18	344	19.1
L. Soman	55	1	11	346	31.5
A Treloar	22		11	010	0110

Also Bowled—L. Cameron, 6 wickets for 29 runs; P. Gwynne, 4 for 62; K. Magor, 4 for 108; T. Hanlon, 2 for 21; D. Spiden, 2 for 30; B. Watkins, 2 for 49; R. Yell, 2 for 108; M. Hayman, 1 for 16; A. Sharp, 1 for 32; J. Dower, 0 for 7; B. McManus, 0 for 13; J. Spence, 0 for 14; R. Letcher, 0 for 18.

FOURTH GRADE.

BATTING.

	No. of	Not	Highest	Total	
Name	Innings	Outs	Score	Runs	Avge.
D. Ferguson	16	1	75	293	19.5
C. Watson	12	1	40	192	17.4
G. Warder	12	1	31	160	14.5
A. Chapman	10		31	142	14.2
F. Martin	5		23	60	12.0
D. Shenstone	9	2	32 n.o.	82	11.7
J. Wilson	5	2	26	32	10.6
B. Luscombe	15	1	39	146	10.4
J. Spence	8		29	82	10.2
P. Gwynne	5		19	46	9.2
L. Cameron	13	3	21	91	9.1
W. O'Brien	17	2	47	125	8.3
H. O'Halloran	18		27	134	7.4
H. Frazer	16	2	21	85	6.0
A. Evans	17	6	13	41	3.6

Also Batted—C. Ball, 3 innings for 12 runs; B. Watkins, 3 for 11; J. Blades, 3 for 3; R. Yell, 2 for 7; A. Weeks, 2 for 21; T. Hanlon, 1 for 35; W. Rome, 1 for 19; R. Letcher, 1 for 4 runs.

BOWLING.

	Overs	Maidens	Wkts.	Runs	Avge.
L. Cameron	109	13	31	366	11.8
H. O'Halloran		5	9	137	15.2
B. Luscombe		4	16	336	21.0
H. Frazer		18	16	392	22.5
A. Evans		6	22	432	28.7

Also Bowled-B. Watkins, 7 wickets for 39 runs; R. Yell, 4 for 66; D. Shenstone, 4 for 173; A. Weeks, 2 for 39; C. Watson, 2 for 56; J. Spence, 2 for 142; W. Rome, 1 for 11; T. Hanlon, 0 wickets for 27 runs.

MANLY DISTRICT JUNIOR TEAM.

BATTING.

	No. of	Not	Highest	Total	
Name	Innings	Outs	Score	Runs	Avge.
D. Ellis	13	4	165 n.o.	471	52.0
J. Cunningham	8		56	220	27.5
T. Reid	9	1	46	220	27.5
K. Simmons	13	1	53	225	18.9
K. Jones	6		48	108	18.0
K. Hattenfels	12	3	39	145	16.1
A. Hayman	10	3	28	78	11.1
R. Milligan	7	1	36 n.o.	63	10.5
J. Dredge	10		28	92	9.2
L. Collins	12	2	14	58	5.8
C. Hattenfels	7	1	18	33	5.5
R. Haydon	13	2	12	53	4.7

Also Batted-R. Johnston, 2 for 10 runs; P. Handel, 2 for 9; H. Barker, 2 for 5; B. Bradley, 3 for 27; B. Sloggett, 4 for 26 runs.

BOWLING.

		Overs	Maidens	Wkts.	Runs	Avge.
L.	Collins	100	15	32	360	11.2
R.	Haydon	69	1	24	388	16.1
D.	Marshall	187	3	17	399	23.4
Τ.	Reid	75	8	11	331	30.0
	Also Bowled-D. Ellis,	1 wicket	for 168	runs; J.	Cunningham	n, 8 for
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74; K. Hattenfels, 1 for 15; J. Dredge, 1 for 5; K. Jones, 4 for 110; R. Milligan, 4 for 79; P. Handel, 2 for 9; B. Bradley, 1 for 34 runs.

POIDEVIN-GRAY SHIELD.

BATTING.

	No. of	Not	Highest	Total	
Name	Innings	Outs	Score	Runs	Avge.
B. Taylor	6	_	73	241	40.1
P. Philpott	7	2	69	167	33.4
E. Roberts	6	5	14	31	31.0
J. Kennedy	6	1	108 n.o.	142	28.4
P. Gwynne	5		52	115	23.0
G. Morrow	5	<u> </u>	27	84	16.8
N. Verity	7		71	117	16.7
A. Treloar	5	2	31	49	16.3
P. Goodall	6		18	52	8.6
T. Hanlon	6	·	18	38	6.3
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Also Batted-J. Dower, 3 innings for 20 runs; W. Rome, 3 for 20; D. Dives, 1 for 20; B. Watkins, 1 for 16; J. Haines, 1 for 12.

BOWLING.

	Overs	Maidens	Wkts.	Runs	Avge.
G. Morrow	97	10	26	296	11.3
P. Philpott		4	15	240	16.0
B. Taylor		2	4	85	21.2
P. Goodall		1	4.	100	25.0
T. Hanlon		5	3	113	37.6
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Also Bowled—B. Watkins, 2 wickets for 29 runs; W. Rome, 2 for 33; P. Gwynne, 0 for 5; J. Kennedy, 0 for 20; L. Collins, 0 for 24; A. Treloar, 0 for 45 runs.

A. W. GREEN SHIELD.

BATTING.

	No. of	Not	Highest	Total	
Name	Innings	Outs	Score	Runs	Avge.
P. Philpott	5	2	66 n.o.	171	57.0
K. Jones	-		71	107	21.4
B. Sloggett			50	61	20.3
D. Southwell			18	46	9.2
R. Oxford	4	1	11	25	8.3
L. Manchee		1	16	22	7.1
K. Simmons			13	26	6.5
W. Lane	5		12	28	5.6
R. Haydon	3		8	16	5.1
J. Wilson			8	15	5.0
B. Bradley	4	1	4 n.o.	8	2.6
Also Batted_A Sawve	r 2 innings	for	16 runs: L.	Faulks, 2	for 2: S.

Also Batted—A. Sawyer, 2 innings for 16 runs; L. Faulks, 2 for 2; S. Toolin, 1 for 1 n.o.; A. Medcalf, 1 for 1; J. Hay, 1 for 0 n.o.

BOWLING.

	Overs	Wkts.	Runs	Avge.
P. Philpott	54	21	237	11.3
L. Faulks	21	3	36	12.0
K Jones		5	70	14.0
A. Šawyer	20	5	74	14.8
W. Lane	33	7	140	20.0

Also Bowled—D. Southwell, 0 wickets for 2 runs; L. Manchee, 0 for 2; 5. Sloggett, 0 for 2; J. Hay, 0 for 2; R. Haydon, 0 for 10.

CLUB RECORDS

COMPETITION MATCHES.

FIRST GRADE.

FIRST U	MADE.	!	67			
Highest Individual Score	L. W. Gwynne	943 12	(1923-24)			
Highest Aggregate	L. W. Gwynne	843	(1923-24)			
Highest Average	J. Burke	80.75	(1947-48)			
Most Wickets in Season	J. Randell	78	(1909-10)			
SECOND GRADE.						
Highest Individual Score	H. Williams	201 n.o.	(1913-14)			
Highest Aggregate	E. P. Woolcott	524	(1910-11)			
Highest Average	H. Williams	70.00	(1913-13)			
Most Wickets in Season	W. Bassett	60	(1937-38)			
THIRD GRADE.						
Highest Individual Score	G. W. Lowe	210 n.o.	(1930-31)			
Highest Aggregate	G. W. Lowe	937	(1930-31)			
Highest Average	R. Farnell	84.33	(1920-21)			
Most Wickets in Season	F. Brand	79	(1922-23)			
FOURTH GRADE.						
Highest Individual Score	W. C. Wallach	103 n.o.	(1935-36)			
Highest Aggregate	L. Bevege	398	(1936-37)			
Highest Average	J. Blades	36.00	(1948-49)			
Most Wickets in Season	W. H. Bassett	97	(1936-37)			
POIDEVIN-GRAY SHIELD.						
Highest Individual Score	T. Parsonage	178	(1930-31)			
Highest Aggregate	T. Parsonage	378	(1930-31)			
Highest Average	H. Leahy	82.25	(1937-38)			
Most Wickets in Season	B. Adrian	36	(1931-32)			
A. W. GREEN SHIELD.						
Highest Individual Score	J. McCabe	135 n.o.	(1938-39)			
Highest Aggregate	B. Watson	341	(1944-45)			
Highest Average	J. Burke	69.50	(1945-46)			
Most Wickets in Season	D. Hanlin	38	(1944-45)			

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115 Enlistments-5 Killed.

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