Manly-Warringah District Cricket Club

(Founded 1878)

SEASON 1959-60

EIGHTY-SECOND

ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET

MANLY-WARRINGAH DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

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

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND.

BUSINESS:

1. To receive the Eighty-Second Annual Report of the General Committee and the Honorary Treasurer's Balance Sheet.
2. Presentations.
3. Recommendation from the General Committee that Messrs. B. Adrian and B. Cook be elected Honorary Life Members.
4. To consider the following notice of motion proposed by C. M. Hayman and seconded by J. F. Hodgson: "To adopt with or without amendments the new Constitution which will be submitted to the Annual General Meeting of the Club."
5. To elect Office Bearers and General Committee for the ensuing season.
6. To transact any other business that may be brought forward in conformity with the Rules and By-Laws of the Club.

J. F. HODGSON,
Hon. Secretary.

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You are requested to bring this report with you to the Annual General Meeting, and only financial members will be allowed to vote.

OFFICE-BEARERS, 1959-60

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* Deceased

MANLY-WARRINGAH DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

TO THE MEMBERS OF MANLY-WARRINGAH DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

GENTLEMEN—

Your Management Committee has pleasure in submitting the 82nd Annual Report and Balance Sheet for consideration and adoption.

It is also with pleasure that we record that our 1st XI, following their lapse of form in the previous season, became Minor Premiers this year, and it was only after a tense and well contested struggle against St. George that they were eliminated. With such a very young side, competing against international and interstate players, there is every reason to hope that, although defeated, the experience gained will stand them in good stead in the future.

If the senior team could not quite carry off the Premiership, our most junior team, the A. W. Green Shield side, could, and our congratulations are extended to them. While some wonderful individual performances were recorded, we are more pleased that the demeanour of the boys and the spirit in which they played their matches was the subject of very favourable comment by other clubs and in the newspapers. When good sportsmanship and success are combined in a team of boys under the age of 16, the Club has every reason to look to the future with confidence and pride.

The 2nd XI improved their position in their grade, but the 3rd XI, following their Premiership win of the previous season, finished well down the ladder. The 4th XI, also, were not very successful, and it would seem that consideration must be given to assisting this very young team by the inclusion of senior players. In the Poidevin-Gray Shield, which was a much improved competition this year, the Club performed most creditably and only narrowly missed winning its division.

During the year an application was made to Manly Council for a further turf wicket in the Norman Street area, and we have every reason to hope that this matter may be favourably considered. In this connection the Club is very much indebted to Mr. Bruce Adrian, our liaison officer with the two Councils, for his most able handling of this matter on our behalf.

A sub-committee elected last year to revise the Club constitution has presented a draft to the General Committee, and this will be presented to members for consideration in due course. Messrs. Hayman, Taylor and Hodgson formed the committee, and again the Club is indebted for the many hours of work that these members spent for the benefit of the Club.

New nets were purchased for the beginning of the practises, at a cost of £100, and while we do not suggest that they will improve with use, we would like to see members using them on every possible occasion! Unfortunately, with very few exceptions, members were very lax in their attitude to practise, and this is without doubt a major factor in the low batting standard throughout the Club.

We are glad to report that Peter Philpott will be back with the Club in November, and this outstanding all-rounder should greatly strengthen the 1st XI. Peter is still in fine form in Lancashire League cricket and was also a most successful member of the Commonwealth XI in South Africa.

Nearer home, Ross Taylor received recognition by being selected to represent N.S.W. in the Sheffield Shield fixture against Victoria. His debut was most impressive, particularly in the first innings, but unfortunately a strained leg muscle hampered his bowling during the second innings. There is every reason to hope that Ross will have further opportunities.

John Barnes, Ross Taylor and Terry Lee were selected in the State Colts' practise squad, and Stuart Toolin also gained selection in a Metropolitan side.

Messrs. B. Cook, G. Wearne and T. Brooks were elected permanent selectors for the season, and to them and the various team captains we offer our thanks for performing an often thankless task.

FIRST GRADE REVIEW

Fielding one of the youngest sides ever to represent the Club in the First Grade competition, we advanced from 13th position last year to the coveted position of Minor Premiers. Much of the credit for this can be attributed to captain Ray Bright, and with the experience that Ray has gained this year in leadership, together with the added experience that the remainder of the side has gained, next season could be an even more successful one.

Of the fourteen matches played, seven were won on the first innings, two were drawn, and 1 tied. The remaining four were lost on the first innings. The fielding, and particularly the bowling, were of a very high standard, but the batting proved to be the weakness of the side. Only B. Rothwell, E. Robinson and T. Lee showed any form, and only too often if they failed the rest of the batting line-up failed to offer determined resistance. Barry Rothwell was the only century maker (107 n.o. against Petersham-Marrickville). Barry is a beautiful and fluent strokemaker, and showed his best form later in the season, when the wickets were better grassed and therefore faster. Eddie Robinson, at the season's commencement particularly, was his usual aggressive self. Terry Lee, having only his second season in First Grade, has developed into one of the most attractive hard-hitting strokemakers in Sydney, and together with Barry Rothwell should be pressing for higher honours next year. Of the other batsmen—S. Toolin, R. Bright, R. Maxwell, J. Barnes and D. Bourne—although they batted well on occasions, they were far too inconsistent. Whilst this was disappointing, all these batsmen have real ability, and with a more determined application to the job in hand on every occasion that they go to the wicket, we hope that we will be able to write very differently next year.

In Ross Taylor and Tom Hart we have one of the most formidable opening attacks in the competition, and mainly because of the paucity of runs on the board, these two bowlers were called on to bear the brunt of the attack. Their performances were particularly good in view of very slow and unhelpful wickets in the earlier part of the season. This is borne out by Taylor's wonderfully sustained spell when he had the fast Mosman wicket to bowl on. He took 6-44 from 18 overs.

Of the spinners, E. Robinson, S. Toolin and J. Barnes, it can be said that they all thoroughly pulled their weight, even though small totals did not enable the captain to give them as much work as they should normally receive. Nonetheless, J. Barnes took 7-34, E. Robinson 6-37 and S. Toolin 7-60 in various matches. On the whole, we have an excellent and varied attack.

Brian Alsopp and Warwick Davey shared the keeping, and Brian's batting often came to our rescue in the latter part of the innings.

Best batting: B. Maxwell, 47; R. Bright, 41; S. Toolin, 51; B. Rothwell, 48, 45, 66 and 107 n.o.; E. Robinson, 69, 68, 54; T. Lee, 82 n.o., 53, 45, 61; D. Bourne, 32.

Best bowling: R. Taylor, 6-34, 6-44; J. Barnes, 7-34; T. Brooks, 5-56; E. Robinson, 6-37; S. Toolin, 7-60.

SECOND GRADE REVIEW

Second Grade had a very disappointing season, winning five, drawing two and losing seven. The bowling was more than adequate, only two of our opponents being able to pass 200, but once again the batting failed badly. There were only two individual scores of over 50 registered during the entire season. The outfielding in general was sound, but the catching close to the wicket, and especially in the slips, was poor, and cost the side dearly.

The batting average was won by Tom Brooks, and the aggregate by Sid Smith, these two with Dion Bourne being the only ones to show any real consistency with the bat. Bourne proved to be the most promising of a number of young batsmen, and thoroughly deserved his promotion to First Grade.

Neil Fenn won the bowling average and also secured the greatest number of wickets, his bowling being the outstanding feature of the season. In a remarkable effort against University, Neil took 5-6 and 6-33, to bowl the team to its only outright win of the season. Of the others, Tom Brooks, Ellis Rothwell and Ken Waterhouse provided good support, whilst Reg Hunt bowled his leg-spinners well on occasions and looks like becoming an excellent prospect for the future.

Overall, we felt the loss of experienced cricketers early in the season, and they were greatly missed in the later games. One of these, Bruce Cook, suffered a serious eye injury whilst batting, and all cricket-lovers were sorry to see this able and experienced player forced from active play.

Captaincy was shared by M. Platt, K. Waterhouse and W. Davey, and this, together with the fact that no less than 26 players represented during the year, had an unsettling effect on team efficiency. We finished in seventh position, with 48 points.

Best batting: S. Smith, 46, 45 n.o.; I. Barnes, 46; J. Blaikie, 55, 49; D. Bourne, 41; K. Watkins, 41; T. Brooks, 49, 80.

Best bowling: N. Fenn, 5-26, 5-6, 6-23, 4-46; K. Waterhouse, 4-8, 4-22, 4-75; E. Rothwell, 7-46, 4-54; B. Cook, 5-34; R. Hunt, 5-42, 4-39; T. Brooks, 5-35, 4-32, 4-55.

THIRD GRADE REVIEW

The Third Grade team had a most disappointing season, finishing second last in the competition; particularly so after having won so well in the previous year.

The side never really recovered from the early setbacks when inclement weather forced draws in the first five matches after being in a winning position each time. After this stage, the changes were rung frequently when the selectors endeavoured to foster the talented young players in the Club.

There were some good individual performances at times, but Ron Watkins was the only player who could be said to have enjoyed a successful season. Ron not only bore the brunt of the bowling in taking most wickets, but scored most runs and won the batting average.

Best Performances.—Batting: R. Haysom, 132 and 50; A. Turner, 57; L. Carter, 52; R. Watkins, 57; A. Springall, 52; I. Barnes, 50.

Bowling: R. Watkins, 6-56; E. Jackson, 7-58; I. Barnes, 5-51.

The team was captained by Len Carter, with Alan Turner, the vice-captain, capably deputising on a number of occasions.

FOURTH GRADE REVIEW

The team finished in fourteenth position with 32 points, which was well below the previous season's efforts. Lack of correct running between the wickets, both in calling and backing up for a run, stress the need for a lot of tuition where, as was the case this season, a team is comprised mainly of boys making their debut with a grade club. A sprinkling of older and experienced players is much needed in a case such as this.

The outstandiing individual effort of the season was made by Gareth Blades, who took all ten wickets in one innings and six in the second innings against North Sydney for 48 runs. John Dennis gave a reasonably sound all-round performance, his best bowling effort being 7-14.

Paul Galloway was very impressive as an opening batsman, and it was not long before he was promoted to third grade. He top -scored for the season with a 65. Gregory Freeman batted soundly, with plenty of concentration and, as is the case with the other boys, will do a lot better when his running between the wickets improves. His top score of the season was 54.

Ian Gordon was another to impress, after a few shaky innings early, and he, like Greg Freeman, eventually was promoted to Third Grade. His top score of the season was 55.

Of the other boys, John Franklin, after struggling for most of the season, struck batting form towards the end and during the last few matches batted impressively. Len Soman proves the value of a senior player, when available, by showing how runs can be scored quickly by hitting the ball hard that asks to be hit. The team was captained by Doug. Dessaix.

Best batting: C. Brooks, 41; P. Galloway, 65; G. Smeallie, 41 n.o., 44; D. Dessaix, 57; J. Dennis, 46; R. Walsh, 59; L. McClatchie, 49; I. Gordon, 55; G. Freeman, 54.

Best bowling : L. Soman, 4-21; G. Glades, 10-27, 6-52; B. Graham, 5-34; J. Dennis, 4-72, 7-14; D. Dessaix, 5-58; M. Pawley, 4-44.

CITY AND SUBURBAN REVIEW

The team played 25 matches, winning 9, drawing 4 and losing 12, and 21 players in all took part. Harry Fraser led and managed the side, and the vice-captain was Bill Hoy, and these two players gained selection in the C. & S. representative side which played against the Tasmanian Colts.

On the whole, we had an improved side this year, particularly in the batting, but once again bowling was our forte. Two hat-tricks were performed—by B. Miles against Northern District and H. Fraser against Central Cumberland.

Best batting: V. Littlewood, 81 n.o.; K. Watkins, 76; N. Thompson, 68; G. North, 52; H. O'Halloran, 52 n.o.

Best batting: W. Hoy, 6-13, 5-35, 4-41; H. Fraser, 6-29, 6-42 ((hat-trick), 4-22, 4-21; L. Cameron, 5-41; B. Miles, 4-13 (hat-trick), 4-41; A. Evans, 6-42, 4-20, 4-37.

POIDEVIN-GRAY SHIELD

This season there were five rounds played. Of these, we defeated North Sydney, Northern Districts and Balmain. The match again Gordon was lost, and the final match against Glebe-South Sydney was not played owing to rain.

The team was well captained by Barry Rothwell, and displayed a keenness lacking in recent seasons. The batting was strong, although in the game against Northern Districts it was too slow, and could well have cost us an outright. The bowling, also, was strong, and when supported by good fielding placed the side in winning positions. It was noticeable that in the only match lost the fielding fell well below standard.

Best batting: D. Bourne, 22, 86; B. Rothwell, 27, 32, 27 n.o.; A. Springall, 36, 51; T. Lee, 49, 27; R. Hunt, 23, 37 n.o. J. Conner, 38 n.o.; C. Brookes, 25, 22, 57; J. Barnes, 20, 39, 40.

Best bowling: N. Fenn, 5-23, 4-28; P. Jenkins, 3-11; J. Barnes, 3-21, 2-8, 3-28; R. Hunt, 3-3.

A. W. GREEN SHIELD

For the past two years the Premiership has narrowly evaded this team, but this year proved the successful one. Their very convincing win over St. George in the final was very heartening from the Club's point of view.

The bowling was undoubtedly the side's strongest feature, and it was in this department that Gareth Blades obtained the remarkable achievement of 18 wickets for 58 runs against Northern Districts. This included 10 for 14, during which he took four wickets with consecutive balls. Gareth finished with most wickets for the season (35), closely followed by Michael Pawley (32) and Clive Cruickshanks (20).

Russell Armstrong proved a most reliable wicket-keeper, effecting 13 dismissals, including five in the final, and in this match he also figured in an opening partnership of 124 with Gareth Blades, Russell scoring 82 and Gareth 98. Dave Brown proved a most useful batsman, scoring 185 runs in all in a very powerful fashion. Greg Freeman, although a little disappointing to those who know of his real ability, nonetheless played some stubborn knocks. Clive Cruickshanks was the author of some match-winning performances, and with his intelligent approach to the game we can look forward to him capitalising on his considerable ability. All in all, we can look back on the season with every satisfaction, and to Michael Pawley, who captained the side so ably, we offer our congratulations.

Mention must also be made of Terry Lee, who looked after the boys, and Lionel Pawley, Michael's father, who further indebted himself to us by also following the team and taking over from Terry during the latter part of the season.

JUNIOR CRICKET

This season the Club entered four teams in the Saturday afternoon competitions of the M.W.D.C.A. This progressive Association is doing much for cricket in the district, particularly among the youth, and with the increasing number of boys playing in both morning and afternoon competitions, our Club can only benefit. To Mr. and Mrs. Lee and family, who do so much for us in looking after these teams, we can only offer our sincere thanks, and say that without them it would be most difficult, if not impossible, for us to maintain so many teams in the field.

THIRD GRADE

In the first division of Third Grade our team was again captained by Bill Rome, whose guidance is invaluable in training the boys. They played well and again finished in second place to the Rugby Union team, to whom we tender our congratulations for their well deserved win.

Bill Rome had the highest batting aggregate (240), and Max Giles the highest average (26). John Rome, David Medina, Robert Cameron and Michael Carne also battled well, and the last-named was also an efficient keeper.

John Rome had a fine season with the ball to take 51 wickets. He had great control of swing, and it is to be hoped that he will try out for Grade cricket in the coming season. Tim Hooke (30 wickets), David Cates, Gareth Blades, Bill Rome and Ron McCauley all contributed to a varied attack, which was supported by good fielding.

Scores over 50: W. Rome, 68; M. Giles, 92, 57; A. Hill, 62 n.o.
Best bowling: J. Rome, 5-12, 6-34, 7-48, 5-23, 5-34; T. Hooke, 7-31, 7-34; W. Rome, 6-27; G. Glades, 5-21; D. Cates, 6-44.

Mr. Bill Rome, senior, was manager and scorer for this team, and we extend our thanks to him for his work and interest.

FOURTH GRADE

Bob Philpott captained this team, and when he was promoted Barry Barnes took over. Barry made the best of a weakened team, and his job was made much more difficult because of the lack of a regular manager and scorer. It is vital that each team in the future should have a manager.

Allan Hill scored most runs (527), including two centuries, at an average of 33.8. John Wellburne followed with 489 runs, with one century and an average of 48.9 Barry Barnes, Bob Philpott, Alan Watson, Eddie Wylie, Ken Bell, Michael Jenkins and Michael Lee all scored well. The bowling, however, was not as consistent as the batting, with John Wellburne (23), Ken Bell (21) and Bob Philpott (20) the best.

Best batting: B. Barnes, 57; A. Hill, 112, 159; A. Watson, 86 n.o., 69, 51; B. Philpott, 65, 63; J. Wellburne, 51, 106 n.o., 56, 87, 90; M. Jenkins, 50; M. Lee, 68.

Best bowling: J. Wellburne, 8-68; K. Bell, 6-55.

FIFTH GRADE

Two teams were entered and, although they finished last, much valuable experience was gained by these very keen young boys.

Our "B" team was managed by Mr. Lionel Pawley, and the Club is deeply indebted to him for his help in many directions throughout the season. P. Nordstrum was a very good captain, and Bill Forrest scored most runs (44). Paul Fenn, Eddie Whiley, Peter Sullivan and Robert Spillane all played some good innings and should do well next season.

The bowling honours went to Joe Pawley with 34 wickets at an average of 6.9—an outstanding performance for one so very young. Geoff Rogers, John Glastonbury and Brian Pink all bowled well.

Best batting: W. Forrest, 69; P. Fenn, 44, 39; P. Sullivan, 33, 40; J. Slack, 33; R. Spillane, 33 n.o.

Best bowling: J. Pawley, 6-6, 5-29, 6-36; B. Pink, 3-6, 3-4; R. Spillane, 4-4; J. Glastonbury, 4-13.

Our "A" team was captained by Michael Lee and, on Michael's promotion to Fourth Grade, by Peter Lee. In the batting, Ken Turner, who was the opener, showed excellent concentration, and he scored most runs (130). John Hunt, Peter Lee, Lindsay Nordstrum, Peter Howe, John Davis and Alan Seaman all improved their batting as the season went on. In the bowling, Peter Lee took most wickets (29) at an average of 6.8. Peter has a consistent length, and was rewarded with a hat-trick against Dee Why A. John Hunt, John Davis, Peter Howe and Wayne Lind also showed promise as bowlers.

Best batting: K. Turner, 30, 25; J. Davis, 41; P. Lee, 30 n.o.; P. Howe, 35 n.o.

Best bowling: P. Lee, 5-7 (including hat-trick), 6-15, 4-17, 4-28, 4-32; J. Hunt, 6-36; M. Lee, 5-55; J. Davis, 4-42.

GENERAL COMMITTEE

The Committee met on 12 occasions and the attendances were: L. Soman, B. Cook, M. Platt, 11; R. Bright, D. Dessaix, 10; J. Hodgson, A. Turner, G. Wearne, B. Adrian, S. Toolin, L. Carter, 9; G. Lowe (leave of absence), J. Blades, 8.

We are grateful that Mr. Hayman and Mr. Taylor also attended meetings in connection with the proposed constitution.

In addition, Messrs. A. Lee, L. W. Gwynne, A. Anderson and D. Sainsbury, vice-presidents, attended meetings, and their counsels were of great value to us. Mr. Gwynne, in Mr. Lowe's absence overseas, was invited to take the chair,, and the Committee accounts itself most fortunate that the direction of the Club has been placed in such capable and experienced hands.

Mr. Lowe again placed his home at our disposal for meetings, for which we tender grateful thanks to him and to Mrs. Lowe and Miss Borth. Mr. Gwynne and Mr. Hodgson also assisted us similarly, and to them also our sincere thanks.

COACHING CLASSES

The Saturday morning coaching activities were again conducted this year and attendances were excellent. The president, Mr. G. W. Lowe, again spearheaded the organisation, and Messrs. A. Lee, L. Pawley and D. McLarn also gave unsparingly of their time. To these gentlemen and to Miss Helen Lee, whose assistance is invaluable, we offer our grateful thanks.

Many of the boys are now engaged in the Saturday afternoon M.W.J.C.A. competitions as well as representing their various schools, and it must give as much satisfaction to our generous helpers as it does to us to see so many boys being assisted into a game that will provide a healthy and worthwhile outlet for their youthful exuberance.

PRACTICE CAPTAIN

Our thanks are extended to Mr. Alex Anderson, who so capably managed our mid-week practices. While his work is most certainly appreciated by the Club, we feel that there is an obligation upon Club members to ensure that his time is not wasted; in other words, will members please ensure that they attend practice regularly.

GROUNDS

At Manly Oval, Mr. Dan Delaney, working under extreme difficulties at the beginning of the season, continues to make excellent progress on the wickets, and his efforts are appreciated.

Mr. Merv. Paynter, at Brookvale, provides first-class wickets, and we thank him also for his work.

LADIES' AUXILIARY

There is no more appreciated voluntary service than that rendered by the ladies who prepare and serve afternoon tea to players, officials and spectators. To Mrs. Lowe, Miss Booth, Miss Hurwood, Mrs. Twentyman and Miss Jensen, and to Mrs. Philpott, Mrs. Soman, Mrs. Lee, Miss Robin Rogers and Miss Helen Lee, therefore, we tender our grateful thanks, and assure them that we all have a much happier afternoon for their presence.

In this connection also we must in addition extend our thanks to Mrs. Turner and Mrs. Hodgson and to those other ladies who helped us so kindly when they were able.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

This season £80 was raised by the Social Committee. The only function held was at the home of Mr. Bruce Cook, who with Mrs. Cook went to great trouble to ensure a pleasant night, and the Club warmly thanks them, and is very much in their debt.

Two social games were played at Manly Oval—against the Rugby Union Club and against New Lambton. These games proved most enjoyable, and we trust that they will be carried on in the future. Our thanks go to the Rugby Union Club for their assistance at these functions, and for many courtesies extended during the year.

During Easter the Club visited Dubbo and played two games. We had a first innings win against a combined Dubbo XI, and the other game resulted in a draw. One of the most pleasing results of this trip was the success of junior players against stiff opposition—particularly we mention Reg Hunt, who had a fine double with the bat. The side was most cordially welcomed and looked after during the stay, and the Executive and Committee of the Dubbo Association are most warmly thanked for their kindness. A return match is being arranged for the coming season, and we look forward to returning Dubbo's hospitality.

FINANCE

The annual statement of income and expenditure on both the general account and the Social Fund account and balance sheet is published at the end of this report and shows that the Club's finances are in a sound position. Surpluses of £97 and £80 are shown on the general and Social Fund accounts respectively, as compared with £70 and £71 for the previous year.

Your General Committee has considered it advisable to recommend to the annual meeting that subscriptions be increased for the ensuing year as follows:—

Senior members: From £1/10/- to £2/10/-.

Junior members: From 10/6 to £1/5/-.

Juvenile members: For a new class of membership at 12/6.

During the past year, income was received from sources which cannot be relied upon in future years to meet the heavy replacement cost of materials and the anticipated price increases on all these items. The General Committee's recommendation concerning subscriptions has been incorporated in the new draft constitution to be presented to the meeting.

VALE: STAN RIDGE

The death of the last of three famous brothers—Stan, Frank and Eric—Mr. Stan Ridge, has occurred at the age of 89. Records show that Mr. Ridge first appeared as a general committeeman in 1893-94, and a Sydney Morning Herald report shows that he was a member of the Manly team which played against Lord Sheffield's XI on 11th February, 1892, in which match he took 5-65, including the wickets of W. G. Grace and A. E. Stoddart.

DELEGATES

N.S.W.C.A.: Mr. Lowe and Mr. Hodgson were our delegates and attended Association meetings regularly, with Mr. Gwynne and Mr. Platt attending when the former were unable to do so. We again record that Mr. Lowe's work in connection with coaching was greatly appreciated by the head body, and was the subject of much praise, both by the Association and by various country centres which he visited.

M.W.J.C.A.: The valuable liaison between this body and ourselves was carried out this year by Mr. Alan Lee and Mr. Bob Philpott. The continued goodwill between the two bodies as a result of their work is gratefully acknowledged.

SUCCESSFUL CLUBS

The Club offers its congratulations to the following Clubs for winning their respective competitions:—

First Grade: Western Suburbs. Second Grade and Club Championship: Northern District. Third Grade: Cumberland. Fourth Grade: Gordon. Poidevin-Gray Shield: Mosman.

CONDOLENCES

Since our last report we deeply regret to record the passing of old and valued members and supporters. To their relatives we extend our sincere sympathy.

R. E. Adrian: Father of Club-member Bruce, and one of our oldest and most respected vice-presidents. Colonel R. E. Adrian will be missed by us all. His enthusiasm for cricket remained undimmed, and we will always value the encouragement and support which he tendered to us over a period of so many years.

Mrs. Harold Austin: Mrs. Austin, widow of the late Harold Austin, a former vice-president, was for many years a great worker for and supporter of the Club. During her association with us she set us a wonderful example of cheerful service, and older members of the Club, in particular, would like her family to know that we will long retain happy memories of her.

Harold Primrose: A former Manly Rugby Union international and member of this Club, Harold's passing came as a deep shock. His reputation for sportsmanship is perhaps as well remembered as his actual ability in both games, and the Manly-Warringah district is the poorer for his passing.

W. Rothwell, Snr.: Mr. Rothwell, father of Ellis and grandfather of Walter and Barry, was not only an accomplished cricketer, but was also a highly respected administrator of the game. It is to people such as Mr. Rothwell that all cricketers should give due thanks, for without them the game would not be on the same solid foundation that it is to-day.

J. Yeldham: Mr. Jack Yeldham was a former slow bowler with the Club and played with us for many years. He practised as a solicitor in Manly, and was not only a highly respected member of this Club, but of the community also.

PUBLICITY

Our appreciation is due to Mr. Alan Turner, who again volunteered to look after our publicity. All Club matters were reported regularly, and the many hours of work entailed are acknowledged on behalf of members.

To the Manly Daily and the Manly-Warringah News we express our thanks for their wonderful co-operation throughout the season, when they devoted much valuable space to the reporting of our matches. In this connection also we are indebted to the metropolitan newspapers and to the A.B.C. for giving us valuable publicity.

THANKS AND APPRECIATION

Manly Municipal Council: To the Mayor and aldermen, who with their staff have given us every consideration.

Warringah Shire Council: To the President, councillors and officials, who have also assisted us in every way.

N.S.W.C.A.: To our head body who, with the secretary, Mr. Alan Barnes and his staff, are never failing in their interest and assistance.

N.S.W. Umpires' Association: To those gentlemen, wherever they may be, who are required to carry the responsibility of fairness and impartiality, and who, indeed, do so.

M.W.J.C.A.: To our good friends, the "Juniors," who, led by D. Sainsbery and M. Anderson, are never failing in their co-operation with us.

For and on behalf of the General Committee.

L. W. GWYNNE, Acting President.
J. F. HODGSON, Hon. Secretary.

AVERAGES FOR SEASON 1959-60

FIRST GRADE

Batting

	No. of Innings	Not Outs	Highest Score	Total Runs	Average
T. Lee	17	2	82*	510	34.00
B. Rothwell	18	3	107*	471	31.40
E. Robinson	19	3	69	469	29.31
R. Bright	17	1	41	264	16.50
R. Taylor	9	4	24	81	16.20
D. Bourne	7	1	32	94	15..6
S. Toolin	18	1	51	224	13.17
R. Maxwell	16	—	47	205	12.81
J. Barnes	18	4	32	157	11.21
B. Alsopp	9	—	31	91	10.11
T. Hart	8	3	12	31	6.20

Also Batted: T. Brookes, 5 innings for 37 runs; J. Blaikie, 6-13; I. Barnes, 1-11;; N. Fenn, 1-0; W. Davey, 3-2.

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average
S. Toolin	66	2	20	334	16.70
T. Taylor	158.2	18	32	563	17.59
J. Barnes	57.4	3	13	234	18.00
T. Brooks	50	4	10	184	18.40
E. Robinson	119.5	9	18	450	25.00
T. Hart	95.5	11	14	362	25.85

Also Bowled: T. Lee, 3 wickets for 86 runs; N. Fenn, 1-42; I. Barnes, 0-6.

SECOND GRADE

Batting

	No. of Innings	Not Outs	Highest Score	Total Runs	Average
T. Brooks	7	1	80	216	36.00
S. Smith	13	3	46	255	25.5
J. Blaikie	8	—	55	187	23.4
D. Bourne	10	1	41	202	22.4
K. Watkins	14	—	41	221	15.8
A. Springall	8	2	21	93	15.5
W. Davey	7	3	21	55	13.75
C. Brookes	7	1	31	79	13.16
K. Waterhouse	16	3	28	112	8.6
R. Hunt	16	—	25	127	7.9
N. Fenn	11	5	10	41	6.8
E. Rothwell	11	3	12	46	5.75

Also Batted: I. Barnes, 5 innings for 23 runs; M. Platt, 4-52; B. Cook, 4-32 (1 not out); J. Haysom, 5-18; B. Alsopp, 3-44; J. Hodgson, 4-7; R. Haysom, 5-33; J. Corner, 5-30 (1 not out); I. Wilesmith, 1-0; E. Jackson, 1-0; P. Galloway, 2-23; R. Maxwell, 2-0; M. Pawley, 1-0, W. Rothwell, 2-3.

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average
N. Fenn	136	16	38	454	11.95
T. Brooks	77	10	20	279	13.95
K. Waterhouse	155	15	33	484	14.7
E. Rothwell	123	18	24	379	16.5
R. Hunt	62	3	14	300	21.4

Also Bowled: B. Cook, 5 wickets for 53 runs; I. Barnes, 4-124; M. Pawley, 0-29; W. Rothwell, 0-18; R. Haysom, 0-38; P. Galloway, 1-18; J. Corner, 0-13.

* Denotes not out.

THIRD GRADE

Batting

	No. of Innings	Not Outs	Highest Score	Total Runs	Average
R. Watkins	17	7	57	357	35.7
R. Haysom	14	—	132	302	21.5
A. Springall	10	1	52	170	18.9
J. Corner	11	1	28	163	16.3
A. Turner	19	—	57	266	14
L. Carter	15	—	52	208	13.9
P. Galloway	9	—	38	105	11.6
C. Brookes	10	—	29	101	10.1
P. Jenkins	14	4	31	108	10.8
D. Black	10	2	19	73	9.1
E. Jackson	12	1	22	78	7.1
B. Smith	8	—	14	59	7.4
M. Pawley	11	4	13*	47	6.5

Also Batted: D. Bourne, 2 innings for 25 runs; I. Wilesmith, 8-44; J. Blades, 2-7 (1 n.o.); J. Hodgson, 1-0; I. Barnes, 5-122; I. Gordon, 5-16; G. Freeman, 3-1 (1 n.o.); G. Blades, 1-0; V. Littleford, 2-30; D, Dessaix, 1-2; J. Dennis, 2-29; T. Evans, 1-3 (n.o.).

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average
R. Haysom	40	—	9	145	16.1
R. Watkins	191	17	43	727	16.7
E. Jackson	120	13	23	429	17.7
M. Pawley	38	—	7	207	19.3
P. Jenkins	108	14	19	384	20.1
I. Barnes	32	3	7	143	20.5

Also Bowled: D. Black, 3 wickets for 69 runs B. Graham, 2-24; B. Smith, 1-19; P. Galloway, 1-12; G. Blades, 1-65; A. Springall, 0-8; J. Dennis, 0-12; D. Dessaix, 2-25.

* Denotes not out.

FOURTH GRADE

Batting

	No. of Innings	Not Outs	Highest Score	Total Runs	Average
P. Galloway	7	1	65	159	26.2
I. Gordon	5	—	55	87	17.6
J. Dennis	18	7	46	188	17.1
L. McClatchie	5	—	49	85	17.0
B. Smith	10	1	37	149	16.2
D. Black	8	1	30	110	16.7
R. Walsh	7	—	59	99	14.2
G. Smeallie	16	8	44	186	13.1
T. Evans	6	1	32	60	12.0
D. Dessaix	17	2	57	173	11.2
G. Blades	9	1	38	76	9.5
R. Unicomb	14	2	24	110	9.2
M. Fitzgerald	14	1	18	122	9.1
J. Franklin	13	1	34	103	8.2
I. Page	15	4	18	59	5.1
J. Blades	10	6	4	12	3.0
R. Lutherburrow	10	6	4	12	3.0
M. Pawley	5	—	5	10	2.0

Also Batted: L. Cameron, 1 innings (n.o.) for 36 runs; M. Carne, 1-20; G. Freeman, 4-99; L. Soman, 4-62; G. Tate, 3-37; D. Cates, 1-12; D. Medina, 2-14; C. Brookes, 2-60; B. Graham, 3-47; C. Cruickshanks, 1-0.

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average
G. Blades	56	5	20	204	10.1
M. Pawley	25	1	11	132	12.0
L. Soman	39	2	7	128	18.1
D. Dessaix	153.3	12	29	594	20.1
J. Dennis	131.4	21	28	575	20.2
D. Black	27	5	5	118	23.2
I. Page	41.2	3	5	168	33.2

Also Bowled: C. Cruickshanks, 3 wickets for 4 runs; G. Tate, 0-23; R. Walsh, 0-10; J. Blades, 0-14; G. Smeallie, 0-36; D. Cates, 1-53; L. Cameron, 0-18; M. Fitzgerald, 4-180; J. Franklin, 3-158; B. Graham, 4-92.

* Denotes not out.

CITY AND SUBURBAN XI

Batting

	No. of Innings	Not Outs	Highest Score	Total Runs	Average
—. Thompson	8	—	68	221	27.62
H. O'Halloran	18	2	52*	369	23.06
L. Cameron	14	5	32	183	20.33
G. North	18	2	52	268	16.75
R. Walsh	14	4	35	167	16.7
A. Evans	7	3	25	53	13.25
L. McClatchie	9	—	44	114	12.66
B. Ellsworthy	18	3	35	182	12.13
B. Miles	11	4	22*	76	10.85
H. Frazer	16	2	24*	151	10.78

Also Batted: R. Unicomb, 4 innings for 25 runs (1 n.o.); I. Page, 1-20; J. Sutherland, 6-5 (1 n.o.); W. Hoy, 13-42 (1 n.o,); K. Watkins, 3-118; J. Blades, 4-8; V. Littlewood, 1-81 (n.o.); J. Franklin, 5-49 (1 n.o,); —. Harris, 5-6,

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average
A. Evans	57	—	31	327	10.55
B. Miles	68	—	28	357	12.75
W. Hoy	107	4	33	469	14.21
R. Walsh	38	2	11	170	15.45
H. Frazer	142	12	40	630	15.75
L. Cameron	88	2	20	339	16.95

Also Bowled: I. Page 4 wickets for 32 runs; H. O'Halloran, 1 for 18; B. Elssworthy, 4 for 73.

* Denotes not out.

POIDEVIN-GRAY SHIELD

Batting

	No. of Innings	Not Outs	Highest Score	Total Runs	Average
R. Hunt	3	2	37*	66	66
D. Bourne	4	—	86	138	34.5
J. Corner	3	1	38*	60	30.0
C. Brookes	4	—	57	112	28.0
B. Rothwell	5	—	32	102	25.5
T. Lee	3	—	49	76	25.3
A. Springall	4	—	51	91	22.75
J. Barnes	5	1	39*	86	21.5
N. Fenn	3	1	19*	24	12.0

Also Batted: 5 innings (1 not out) for 31; S. Smith, 1-6; P. Galloway, 1 (n.o.) for 3; P. Jenkins, 1 for 3.

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average
J. Barnes	58	7	15	194	12.9
N. Fenn	33	3	11	145	13.2
R. Hunt	20.1	4	5	88	17.6
P. Jenkins	22	2	5	89	17.8

Also Bowled: B. Rothwell, 3-23; T. Lee, 3-124; P. Galloway, 1-10.

* Denotes not out.

A. W. GREEN SHIELD

Batting

	No. of Innings	Not Outs	Highest Score	Total Runs	Average
G. Blades	8	—	98	224	28.0
D. Brown	8	1	64	185	26.4
R. Armstrong	9	2	82	149	21.3
C. Cruickshanks	8	2	49	104	17.3
G. Freeman	8	—	55	132	16.5
B. Jeffries	5	3	15	30	15.0
M. Pawley	8	1	41*	90	13.0

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average
M. Pawley	73.5	6	32	225	7
B. Jeffries	37.5	8	11	86	7
G. Blades	69.7	4	35	285	8.15
C. Cruickshanks	50	3	20	168	8.4

* Denotes not out.

JUNIOR CRICKET—Third Grade

Batting

	No. of Innings	Not Outs	Highest Score	Total Runs	Average
Bill Rome	14	2	68	240	20
Michael Carne	11	2	48	212	23.55
John Rome	16	3	38	202	15.5
M. Giles	8	1	92	182	26
D. Medina	11	—	42	180	16.37
R. Cameron	11	1	30	142	14.20

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average
J. Rome	150	20	51	545	10.69
T. Hooke	61	3	30	346	11.5
D. Cates	113	8	29	482	16.62
G. Blades	82	10	17	254	14.95
R. Macauley	26	1	13	154	11.84
W. Rome	62	4	16	288	18

* Denotes not out.

JUNIOR CRICKET—Fourth Grade

Batting

	No. of Innings	Not Outs	Highest Score	Total Runs	Average
J. Wellburn	13	3	106*	489	48.9
A. Hill	17	2	159	527	33.8
M. Lee	5	2	68	1 4	44.6
A. Watson	10	1	86*	267	29.6
R. Philpott	14	1	65	291	22.4
M. Jenkins	12	2	50	18..	18.3
E. Whylie	15	1	49	249	17.8
B. Barnes	20	1	57	317	16.7

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average
J. Wellburn	104	5	23	443	19.6
R. Philpott	59	3	20	317	15.8
K. Bell	63	2	21	343	16.3
A. Hill	46	1	15	276	18.4

* Denotes not out.

JUNIOR CRICKET—Fifth Grade

A Team—Batting

	No. of Innings	Not Outs	Highest Score	Total Runs	Average
Peter Howe	9	3	35*	109	18
J. Hunt	10	—	22	80	8
K. Turner	17	2	30	130	8.1
P. Lee	15	2	30*	106	8

A Team—Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average
P. Lee	86	11	29	198	6.8
J. Davis	42	—	11	93	8.4
J. Hunt	30	—	10	85	8.5
P. Howe	24	—	12	102	8.5
M. Lee	28	—	8	117	14.6

B Team—Batting

	No. of Innings	Not Outs	Highest Score	Total Runs	Average
E. Whilley	5	1	48*	91	22.7
P. Sullivan	6	2	33*	62	15.5
P. Fenn	10	2	44	113	14.1
W. Forrest	15	—	67	144	9.6

B Team—Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average
J. Pawley	63	11	34	237	6.9
B. Pink	32	5	10	68	6.8
G. Rogers	66	8	13	151	11.6
J. Glastonbury	55	11	16	192	12

* Denotes not out.

MANLY-WARRINGAH DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1960

EXPENDITURE

1958-59		£	s	d
271	Materials and Repairs	289	15	0
80	Printing, Stationery and Advertising	89	8	5
7	Insurance	5	6	4
21	Postages and Telephone	7	10	9
8	Donations	5	9	6
37	Photographs and Badges	—	—	—
70	Balance being Excess of Income Over Expenditure Transferred to Accumulation Account	97	10	3
511		£535	9	2

INCOME

1958-59			£	s	d
192	Subscriptions, Members and Associates		164	13	6
43	Donations		49	16	6
	Manly Oval Ground Account	£196 16 0			
	Less: Percentage to Manly Council	147 12 0			
			49	4	0
	Playing and Ground Fees, Takings—				
208	Less: Ground Fees and Rentals		188	19	3
	Interest Received		8	15	11
45	Sundry Income		74	0	0
511			£535	9	2

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MAY, 1960

EXPENDITURE

1958-59		£	s	d
14	Printing, Raffle Tickets	6	3	9
6	Rentals and Social Evening Expenses	29	18	9
5	Sundry General Expenses	2	5	0
24	Victory Dinner	—	—	—
71	Balance being Excess of Income Over Expenditure Transferred and Social Fund Accumulation Account	80	10	1
120		£118	17	7

INCOME

1958-59		£	s	d
15	Social Evening	76	1	11
28	Raffles	35	8	0
77	Guessing Competition	—	—	—
	Interest Received	7	7	8
120		£118	17	7

MANLY-WARRINGAH DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

SOCIAL FUND ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1960

LIABILITIES

1958-59			£ s d
117	Sundry Creditors		188 19 0
2	Provision for Trophies		— — —
	Accumulation Account—		
	Balance as at 31st May, 1959	£452 17 3	
453	Add: Excess Income over Expenditure for year now ended	97 10 3	
			550 7 6
	Social Fund Accumulation Account—		
	Balance as at 31st May, 1959	71 7 9	
71	Add: Excess Income over Expenditure for year now ended	80 10 1	
			151 17 10
643			£891 4 4

ASSETS

1958-59		£ s d
120	Equipment at Valuation	138 12 3
31	Sundry Debtors	26 19 0
211	Bank of N.S.W.—General Account	360 17 11
106	Bank of N.S.W.—Ground Account	212 17 4
175	Bank of N.S.W.—Social Account	151 17 10
643		£891 4 4

I have examined the Books and Records of the Manly-Warringah District Cricket Club for the year ended 31st May, 1960, and certify that the foregoing Balance Sheet correctly records the financial position of the Club as at 31st May, 1960, according to the Books of the Club and the explanations received by me.

L. A. SOMAN, Honorary Treasurer.

CLUB RECORDS

COMPETITION MATCHES

FIRST GRADE

Highest Individual Score	L. W. Gwynne	175 n.o.	(1926-27)
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	(1913-14)
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	J. Gurd	202	(1953-54)
Highest Aggregate	T. Lee	470	(1956-57)
Highest Average	T. Lee	36.15	(1956-57)
Most Wickets in Season	W. H. Bassett	97	(1936-37)

DISTRICT JUNIOR TEAM

Highest Individual Score	D. Ellis	165 n.o.	(1949-50)
Highest Aggregate	P. Proudfoot	1230	(1956-57)
Highest Average	P. Proudfoot	87.85	(1956-57)
Most Wickets in Season	P. Proudfoot	76	(1956-57)

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	P. Philpott	38	(1950-51)

A. W. GREEN SHIELD

Highest Individual Score	J. McCabe	135 n.o.	(1938-39)
Highest Aggregate	B. Watson	341	(1944-45)
Highest Average	R. Bright	141.00	(1951-52)
Most Wickets in Season	J. Barnes	41	(1956-57)

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