Manly-Warringah District Cricket Club

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SEASON 1976-77

MANLY-WARRINGAH DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

NOTICE is hereby given that the NINETY-NINTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the MANLY-WARRINGAH DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB will be held at the BALGOWLAH BOWLING CLUB, which is situated in Bareena Drive Balgowlah, on TUESDAY, 19th JULY, at 6.30 p.m. for 7 p.m.

A Smorgasboard Dinner will also be held for club members, and their wives, girlfriends etc. on the night, the cost being \$4.50 per head.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND

BUSINESS

- 1. To receive the Ninety-Ninth Annual Report of the General Committee, and the Honorary Treasurer's Balance Sheet.
- 2. Presentation of Club Championship and trophies.
- 3. To elect Office Bearers and the General Committee for the ensuing year.
- 4. To transact any other business that may be brought forward in conformity with the Club's constitution.

J.F. Hodgson
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MANLY-WARRINGAH DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

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MANLY-WARRINGAH DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

ANNUAL REPORT - 1976/77

Gentlemen,

Viewed from any angle, our season has been a very successful one. Not only have we won, for the first time, the coveted Club Championship, but at every level of cricket in the club, we reversed our disappointing performances of the previous year.

If we had any tears to shed, we should shed them for our second grade, who were run-away winners of the minor premiership, won their semifinal against Sutherland very comfortably, only to be defeated by North Sydney in the final. This game produced a very high standard of cricket indeed, and it is a pleasure to be able to congratulate both teams, not only on their play, but on the exemplary spirit in which their final was played. Tom Purcell started seconds on their road to success (and they were successful whether they were premiers or not) and Ian Howell took over the captaincy from Tom when he was promoted to first grade. Commiserations to them and their team, but congratulations too on a performance that has added a lustre to the club's reputation both on and off the field.

The year in first grade was marked by the resignation of Mike Pawley as skipper mid-way through the season, and it would be churlish indeed if we did not acknowledge Mick's enormous contribution to our present eminence throughout the whole period of his leadership. It was unfortunate that a set back in health caused Mike to withdraw from the team for the last couple of matches, but we sincerely hope that he will be back on deck next year with all his old enthusiasm.

The year also saw the retirement of Terry Lee, one of the greatest all-round cricketers ever to play with the club. His twenty three seasons with the club brought him over 7500 runs at an average of about 35 per innings, and 281 wickets at an average of just over 20 runs apiece, figures which speak for themselves. What cannot be recorded however is his immense value as a slips fieldsman. The writer would not be the only one who would rate him with any slips fieldsman in any class of cricket - albeit he spoilt his best catches by making them appear so easy.

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In our euphoria at senior success, we must not overlook the prime importance of junior developement. Our brother cricket organization the Manly Warringah Cricket Association won the coveted Shell Shield (the Junior Cricket Union equivalent of our own club championship) in 1975-76 and retained the Cawsey Shield (under 12) in 1976-77 - which they won along with the Shell Shield the previous year. The all round depth of cricket reflected in their success and ours, must not be neglected, and the need for a Junior Developement Committee is self evident. Common sense would indicate that this should be a joint venture between the M.W.C.A. and us, and high among their priorities should be the early assembly of the various age squads, the organization of coaching, and early competitive matches.

Along with this, the Club must take the lead in developing further senior cricket in our very large and growing population. The New South Wales Cricket Association has approached all grade clubs and other interested bodies regarding the establishment of more Shire Clubs - and has in mind that some of them will develope into future grade clubs. Ours is obviously just such a district, and if we are to do justice to aspiring young cricketers in the area, the necessity that we should do so is patently clear from the foregoing outline of our playing strength.

- J.G. STEPHENSON, President

- J.F. HODGSON, Secretary

PLAYERS BEHAVIOUR

"The main intention of this regulation is to discourage any spread or continuity of bad behaviour, offensive language or remarks by players on the field during play" So runs the Note to Law 46 introduced experimentally in season 1976-77, and the fact that the regulation had to be introduced at all, and the use of the words "any spread or continuity" clearly indicates the existance of a pattern of behaviour degrading to players, and - far more importantly - to the game itself.

The law applies to international and interstate as well as cricket at grade level, and well it might if we are to believe players at all three levels who are revolted by on field "sledging", and the evidence of our own eyes of open disagreement with umpires' decisions. In the case of first class cricket this travesty of good sportsmanship is, unfortunately, not confined only to spectators at the ground, but is brought into peoples' homes on television sets across the nation. Flowing on from this there is ample evidence that younger cricketers, influenced by examples set them by internationally famous players are accepting behaviour of this sort as the norm.

It is therefore imperative for us as a grade club, to do all in our power to maintain the standards which make cricket the thoroughly pleasant game it is to play, and which have given it an unparalleled reputation as the standard setter for good sportsmanship. As a club, we can only do this if you, as an individual, play your part, and we are quite sure that you will not let us down by either initiating or allowing yourself to be drawn into, gutter language, or gutter behaviour.

SPONSORED PLAYERS

With the help of AMOCO PETROLEUM and D.J.E. CONSTRUCTIONS, famous West Indian batsman ALVIN KALLICHARRAN was brought to Manly to play with the Club. Unfortunately "Kalli" was still suffering from the effects of a most severe shoulder operation, and was unable to re-produce the exciting brand of batting for which he is renowned. Nevertheless we are very grateful to AMOCO and D.J.E. for financing Kalli's visit and also very much appreciate the additional help that AMOCO gave us in the publication of our "MANLY CRICKETERS CHRONICLE".

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Just before KALLI returned to the West Indies in January, we gained yet another new recruit in 19 year BILL ATHEY from YORKSHIRE. Bill came because of a most interesting and imaginative initiative by WHITBREADS, the English brewing company, who sent to Australia four young players considered by the English selectors to have outstanding potential. Two were sent to Victoria, and two to N.S.W., and our Club had the honour to be chosen by the N.S.W.C.A. as one of the host clubs - Balmain being the other. Bill was to be billeted at the home of one of our players, and our task was to assist the N.S.W.C.A. to do all we could to further his cricket experience. We are particularly grateful to Mr & Mrs Fred Byers and their family who welcomed Bill into their home, and so helped to make his visit the outstanding success that it was.

In return it should be stated that Bill fulfilled every responsibility that Whitbreads could have expected of him, both in cricket and in personal relationships, and our high hopes and he has our good wishes for his future in English cricket.

PLAYERS AWARDS

In addition to our normal Player of the Year and Fielding awards, and through the generosity of the Puma Sporting Goods company, trophies were given this year to the player of the round. Selection was not necessarily based on the highest score or most wickets in any grade, but the player who was considered to have contributed most to his team's success.

We sincerely thank Puma for their generosity.

FIRST GRADE REPORT (By GRAEME BEARD, Captain)

The 1976/77 season saw a series of events that could have a profound impact on the club in future seasons.

We saw Mike Pawley resign the Captaincy midway through the season. Mike's impact on the club has been overwhelming since taking over the Captaincy in 1973, the team finished as Premiers in 1973/74, and runners up in 1974/75, these successes being greatly influenced by Mike's creative ideas, drive and enthusiasm, and the club as a whole benefitting. It is hoped that Mike can regain his interest and that he will once again play a major role in the first XI and club affairs.

Early in the season Terry Lee retired and members of the Bowling Green at Manly can now pursue their sport in safety. Terry leaves behind an illustrious career of power batting, skilful bowling and exceptional fielding prowess. Cricketers and supporters alike wish Terry all the best in the years ahead.

Through the generosity of Amoco, we were fortunate to have the services of a professional cricketer, Alvin Kallicharran for six matches. The publicity associated with this great player's arrival sparked enormous interest and enthusiasm in officials, players and supporters, and led to practice sessions throughout the season being extremely well organized and attended. "Kalli" showed glimpses of his brilliance in scoring 41 and 47 on his return to cricket after a serious shoulder injury, but the nature of his injury, several sub-standard pitches and a heavy promotional programme were not condusive for consistent run making. With his bright, cheery, West Indian personality, "Kalli" quickly became a team and club member, his advice was eagerly sought by many Club Members.

Just before "Kalli" had to return home for the test series against Pakistan, Bill Athey joined the club. Bill's approach to the game was one of complete dedication and his batting and fielding skills are of a standard where he could, in the near future, represent England in Test Cricket. His batting brought solidarity into the batting order and often gave an excellent start to the innings.

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Three (3) wins against Sydney University, St. George and Gordon before Christmas, were not enough for the team to be premiership contenders. However, after Christmas the team played tight, aggressive cricket to record four (4) wins and a draw, from the last five (5) matches, and so contribute with other grades to our winning the club championship.

Throughout the season, performances with bat and ball were rarely coordinated and many winning opportunities were not taken. However, we
remember Greg Harper's fine 91, against St. George in a match winning
stand with Mike Pawley, Frank Turner's thunderous 68 against Sydney
University in a partnership of 116 with Ken Turner, Dave Packer and
Paul Stephenson hitting 55 and 51 respectively in a face-saving stand against
Nepean and Mal Elliot's career best of 44 not out against Waverly.

Ken Turner opened throughout the season and while he did not enjoy a great deal of success, the experience of playing a full season as a first grade opening bat, should enable him to score many runs in future.

Greg Harper was the only batsman to score runs consistently before Christmas, and had several other batsmen been able to show the fact of bat to ball as he did, several more victories may have eventuated. Greg opened before Christmas, and he had plenty of time to graft his runs but after the New Year, he was forced down the order and as a result, did not get many opportunities to play his natural game. It is hoped that this situation can be rectified next year, for Greg is a fighter at the crease and a very competent fieldsman - an asset to any team.

Through brillient batting in the seconds, Tom Purcell forced his way into first grade early in the season. Tom likes to go for his shots, and plays them well, but needs to tighten his defence, and when he gets settled in a batting position, he will have the qualities of a top player.

Dave Packer and Paul Stephenson paired as a lively opening attack which invariably took an early wicket. Dave has the ability to be a very fine as bowler as he showed with 4 for 66 against St. George and 6 for 50 against Cumberland, but he needs to spend more time and application at practice, so that he can perfect his run up and follow through.

Tom Spencer was promoted to first grade early in the season, always wing his utmost to the side with a little more luck he will take a swag wickets next season.

Rick de Silva came into the side late in the season and gained an insight into several finer points of the game. His 43 against Cumberland greatly contributed to a fighting victory, and he should show the value of his experience next season.

Mal Elliot was extremely effective behind the stumps throughout the season and maintained his excellent standard from seasons past. His more positive approach to batting practice reaped dividends at the crease and must be a lesson to all club members especially supposedly "non-batsmen".

The fielding was of a high standard, but towards the end when the Club Championship came into sight, the fielding and team work were truly superb. Mal Elliot, Ken Turner, Greg Harper, Tom Purcell and Rick de Silva were instrumental in providing a basis for the team's purposeful and aggressive attitude to the field.

The team congratulates 2nd grade on a fine performance in winning the Minor Premiership and its great contribution towards the Club Championship.

Thanks to Keith Brady for his efficient scoring throughout the season, the wives, mothers and girlfriends who organized lunch and afternoon teas, and to our supporters who backed us up constantly.

SECOND GRADE REPORT (By IAN HOWELL, Captain)

Season 1976/77 was an unforgettable one for the Second Eleven. Manly "Streaked" the opposition in the Minor Premiership Stakes, only to go down after a gallant fight to North Sydney in the Final. Despite this, we gained some solace in the knowledge that our contribution to the Club Championship success was significant - 80 competition points in all. Much of the side's success can be attributed to the great team spirit that developed and strengthened as the season progressed. Tom Purcell deserves a great deal of credit for this. "Marlon" captained the side for the first six rounds, earning the respect of all players, before his fine personal form warranted Tom's promotion to first grade.

The bowling department was our main strength, and here the perennial Brian Kinsey was outstanding. Two hundred and thirty-six point six overs, sixty-eight maidens, fifty-eight wickets at eleven point, one plus 5 runs and still "BK" couldn't get out of Seconds! His marathon performance in the final taking 6 for 66 from 26.4 overs (including Il maidens) out of North Sydney's total of 316, must rank as possibly his finest effort. B.K. now bowls with such complete control that I am certain next season will see him emerge as a key member of the first eleven. Over the last few seasons Brian has set an example to the club's younger players, continually working hard on his fielding at practice. Last season saw Brian stand out as perhaps Second Eleven's most reliable fieldsman.

Ken Nichol enjoyed a fine all-rounders season. The "Bear" strode majestically to the crease at Chatswood Oval with our score tottering at 7 for 90, chasing Gordon's 153. Sixty-three runs and no wickets later, he elatedly left the scene of his triumph, congratulating Jimmy Stewart for "stickin' around" whilst he "went for the runs". Ken bowled with all of his old fire and pace throughout the season, and was justly rewarded with forty-four wickets. The opening pace combination of Ken and Jeff MacPherson was a class above second grade, and indeed better than most other clubs could provide in first grade.

It was a bitter disappointment for Jeff when he sustained a badly torn groin muscle in the early overs of the final, as his fiery bowling in the semi-final played a major part in our victory. Jeff struggled for form early in the season, but once "in gear" he bowled in sustained spells of agressive fast bowling, capturing thirty-six second grade wickets, one transistor radio. He rarely failed to gain an early break through.

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Bob Green very creditably bore the brunt of the spin bowling load, and was extremely unlucky to be named as twelth man in the final side. Bob bowled with great steadiness and troubled most batsmen with his ability to drift a delivery away from right-handers. When Bob learns to vary his deliveries a little more by use of the bowling crease and pace variations, he will develop into a top quality off-spinner.

The batting contained an excellent blending of experienced players with promising stroke-makers.

Jim Stewart was our most dependable and consistent bat, time and again steering us through tight situations. Jim is a very knowledgeable cricketer, and his assistance and advice to me was always respected and appreciated. I am certain that "The Doctor" would do Manly proud as captain of any eleven in which he may be selected.

Sam Mesite improved tremendously last season. Not in technique, for Sam has always had plenty of that, but in his mental approach to his batting. In both the Semi and the Final, Sam displayed great determination and concentration, and there is no doubt that once he incorporates these factors regularly into his game, then a permanent first grade spot will be his.

Greg Hill is another fine prospect. He started the season very well and continued his consistency up to Christmas, when he gained merited promotion to First Grade. Unfortunately for Greg his form deserted him for the last few matches, but unquestionably he is a player of the future. Greg at all times fielded impressively, as well as building a few mounds for this season's Rugby Union goal-kickers!

Peter Jesser came to us from Queensland, and although not scoring as many runs as he would have liked, Peter nearly always got the innings away to a good start. His gully fielding, notably early in the season, was magnificient, and "P.J.'s" great team-spirit made him a very popular member of the side.

Mark Byers, together with Sam Mesite and Grant Mairs, improved the season progressed. Mark's batting, as exemplified by tighting innings in the final, is of a high standard. His wicket-tening however, is where I feel Mark showed the greatest development. The superbly in the Final, concentrating well, and in Mark the club as the cricketer of the future.

Grant Mairs worked his way up to seconds from fourth grade with several outstanding performances with both bat and ball. His batting came on in leaps and bounds, and if Grant maintains his tremendous rate of development, then next season could be a big year for him. Grant bowled his leg-spinners quite well, and with more practice should become a talented all-rounder.

Rick De-Silva played several games in Seconds before rising to first grade. The experience gained by Rick should bear fruit in 1977/8.

Tom Spencer and David Packer both played the early games, performing very well and gained promotion to first grade.

Frank Turner joined us late in the season after being side-lined through injury, and batted very forcibly - his thumping 85 in 75 minutes against Mosman being a typical "Frantic" innings.

Bob Rickey played extremely well in both the Semi and Final, scoring two half-centuries and capturing handy wickets. 'Six-Ball' will be very difficult to keep out of higher grades next season.

Greg Simpson, John Seyffer, Bruce Tapp and Gary Flowers all contributed to the team's success in their limited opportunaties.

The year would not be complete without thanking firstly our scorer Rolf Kinsey for his untiring efforts, and secondly the mothers, wives and girlfriends who so generously gave of their time and efforts to uphold the reputation of afternoon-tea at "The Room at the Top".

THIRD GRADE REPORT (By IAN MacDONALD, Captain)

After 14 rounds the third grade side had 42 points. In previous seasons this would have been sufficient to see the side into the semi finals. Unfortunately this team was not to make the semi finals but this effort certainly assisted the Club in gaining its first Club Championship honours. Of the last twelve rounds the side convincingly won nine, and lost only one game after Christmas.

The side comprised a number of experienced players who have given long service to the Club and youngsters who showed sufficient promise to suggest they would also give that long service. It was a pleasure to see the way the senior players imparted their knowledge to the younger brigade.

A cursory glance of the averages shows the nature of the team effort. All batsmen listed performed on occasions whilst it would be difficult to single out one individual. Similarly all bowlers used equally contributed to dismissing the opposing team's batsmen. Rarely did any one bowler clean up the majority of wickets.

Graeme Wilks is to be congratulated in scoring most runs. Graeme at the start of the season was uncertain as a batsman, but he worked on his batting and his wicket keeping and his averages bear evidence of his success. Des Hartman also started slowly but took the most wickets and was the team workhorse.

The Third Grade side provided Second Grade with such members as Rob Green, Rob Rickey, Gary Flowers and Rick De Silva after they had contributed some fine performances, and each showed promise in the higher grades. Des Hartman and Rick De Silva eventually won selection with First Grade and are to be congratulated.

It was pleasing to see young players such as Greg Hayes, Graeme Wilks, Steve Byers and Andy Wyatt performing so well. Furthermore whilst the Club has experienced players such as Keith Fitzpatrick, Greg Anderson Dave McPherson and Des Hartman still involved with cricket the Club will always have a strong Third Grade Side.

This page is sponsored by - HAYMAN & ELLIS Timber, Building Supplies & Hardware, 352 Pittwater Road, Manly. 'Phone 939 6977 Finally it is the Captain's pleasure to thank all players who supported his side during the 1976-1977 season and congratualate the Club on its first Club Championship. Thanks must go to the Club Committee for insisting that the wicket at Graeme's Reserve be kept in good condition. The wicket at its best for years and consequently some of the best cricket for years played.

Don Sellin the team secret ary was always available to score and attend to the player's needs. His assistance was an integral part of the teams' high spirit for which he is sincerely thanked. My wife Helen is also thanked for supplying those goodies at afternoon tea which are always most appreciated.

FOURTH GRADE REPORT (By DAVID MACPHERSON, Captain)

The 1976/77 season was not a particularly successful season for the Fourths in the numbers of games won. But it was a successful season in a sense of achievement of young players in such a way that only Manly Cricket Club cricket in general can benefit from.

The side suffered from the wet weather in the early games and as is usual lower grade sides a lot of players were passing either up or down and was not until after Christmas that the side really settled down.

Le batting department was the weakest area this season, mainly due to lack of older experienced players being in the side to calm and guide younger players so that they could build an innings. Even so, there some good performances from Andy Wyatt, Greg Anderson, Dean Abey, Mark Kroschel and Graeme Dudley.

There was a show of strength in the bowling department from David Copherson, Graeme Hicks, Chris Hynes and Mark Kroschel. The two conger boys, Chris Hynes and Mark Kroschel, one an off spinner, the leg spinner, showed good control and variation and bowled years themselves.

The fielding was not good to start with ours as the season moved on the standard of fielding, all facets of this, the most important part of the game, moved to a very high standard. Ross Wiblin, who came "off the park" is shed the season a very much improved wicket keeper and he also showed almoses of ability with the bat.

I mentioned earlier a sense of achievement gained by the fourths. By this I meant that even though the side was not winning all its games the attitude the players both on and off the field, by their attendances and work rate practice they put a tremendous amount into the game and the Club. On more than one occasion there were 7 Green Shield players in the fourths. They were learning that even though players have to perform individually must perform as a team and hence as a club.

The players whom Manly are going to see move up in the near future are Dean Abbey, Mark Knoschel, Chris Hynes, Robert Greening and Ross Wiblin.

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the players who played in the fourths this season, for their support, companionship and their loyalty. I would also like to thank Manly Cricket Club for the support they, the committee and other players gave me this season. It was a most enjoyable season.

C2 GRADE REPORT (By STEVEN HUTCHINSON, Captain)

To start off my report I'd like to thank all the boys for their fine Sportsman-ship throughout the year.

This C2 team went through the season undefeated, but a disturbing feature of the C2 competition was the poor standard of the opposition and the Malthoid wickets. Players of the calibre of Bruce Henry, Chris Harper, Stuart Jansson, Greg Frost, John Vallance, Mike Johnston and Luke Hill made the Manly side of virtual 4th grade standard, much superior to the schoolboy opposition. Also the attitude of the opposition played the game made it impossible for the Manly side to maintain their enthusiasm and perspective for the game.

When called up to 4th grade, the C2 players were expected to perform well on turf after playing week in and week out on Malthoid pitches against substandard opposition. Surely these points constitute a valid reason for having a 5th grade side next year.

Some excellent bowling performances were recorded by Mike Johnston and Luke Hill, Mike having 35 wickets for 199 runs including 2 hat-tricks with his fast right-arm deliveries, while Luke's slow off-breaks bagged him wickets for 94 runs.

On the batting side of things a fine 132 n.o. was recorded by Greg Frost, and other good scores were recorded by Russell Brooks, Jim Tucker, Chris Harper and J. Taharla.

Right from the start of the season to the finish the fielding was brilliant with superb ground fielding and catches. The player to perform best in this department was Damien Easterman with so many fine catches behind the wickets.

I would like to thank all the players who played to their best ability and most all Russell Brooks and Stuart ansson who did a great job of captaining the side while I was away.

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(By BRUCE LOUDEN, Captain)

This team was composed mostly of 15-16 year old boys who previously had played representative cricket with Manly Warringah Junior Cricket association and/or played Green Shield thus giving a good basis to the In hindsight these boys generally were too good for the C3 Grade, awing been unbeaten in the competition; winning by a very healthy margin. They should have been graded to C1 which would have provided a real challenge, thus bringing out the potential which some of these boys have.

Dean Abbey and Ross Wiblin moved into fourth grade halfway through the season but the team rallied to continue on their winning way.

Dean Abbey, Nick Johnson, Mark Hyslop, Chris Davies and Steven chard whilst the bowling task was adequately fulfilled by Dean Abbey, Michael Cole and Nick Johnson. In fact Nick Johnson, anded he continues with dedication will be a fine slow left arm spinner the future.

Behind the stumps Ross Wiblin displays a lot of potential, ably supported by Steve Orchard and particularly the improvement shown by Mark Ronson.

the field Bevin White with his 18 catches and fast arm is a treat to watch, whilst Geoff McDermott certainly was consistent throughout the year.

The most improved in the team would be Barry Cole for batting and bowling and Mark Ronson for wicket-keeping.

Thanks are extended to Mr Ron Heath, Scorer and to Kevin Dumpleton for filling in when we were short.

A very pleasant Season was experienced with a team of good boys, if they continue to practice hard, keep concentrating and apply their ability the Club need not fear for want of talent for the future.

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POIDEVIN GRAY REPORT (By GREG HILL, Captain)

This years Poidevin-Gray side produced many fine individual performances well as being a most enjoyable one due mainly to the fine team spirit which existed in the side.

The season started off with the local derby against Mosman, after being sent in to bat we were soon back in the pavillion for a meagre 140 runs, with Grant Mairs contributing a fine 40 and Sam Mesite 26. But after some solendid bowling by Dave Packer 4-32 who was ably supported by Steve Byers and Mark Kroschel 3-30 (a very promising leg-spinner) we bundled Mosman out for 98, a great start to the season.

ment match was against North Sydney and after toiling in the field all morning we were set a formidable total of 208 runs. This would have been greater except for some fine bowling by Greg Simpson who finished with However, we were in trouble at 4-58 when Grant Mairs joined Byers at this stage of time the Mesite brothers were freely giving off 20 to 1 about our chances of winning. But what a partnership it med out to be, Mark Byers showing all the skill of a veteran blasted runs while Grant Mairs grafted a fine 59 not out. This set the scene a thrilling finish, one over to go 13 runs to win, and Greg Simpson capped fine game by smashing a 6, 2, 4, 4 in four consecutive balls to win the

A draw against Gordon assured us of a place in the semi-final, but the semi urned out to be a big disappointment, although with a bit more luck and application we could have won.

In concluding this report I would like to thank all the players for their cooperation and support which made it a very enjoyable and successful season.
I would also like to thank Dave Macpherson for his managing of the side and
his advice to help the team's performance and the ladies who provided
afternoon teas, I also thank.

A.W. GREEN SHIELD REPORT
(By MARK KROSCHEL, Captain and GORDON ABBEY, Manager)

A Green Shield Souad of 13 plus 2 reserves, were selected - the 2 reserves were two younger boys who the selectors thought might benefit from the

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Experience. In fact all 15 members of the Squad played in the fixtures, the serves playing I game each. The selected squad was as follows

Kroschel (Capt.) - D. Abbey - R. Wiblin - C. Hynes - M. Smith
Davies - R. Trim - C. Woodfield - N. Johnson - M. Hyslop - J. Tucker
Johnston - M. Cohen - R. Greening - C. Dobbie.

The season's results were rather disappointing to say the least and to go brough a Green Shield programme without a win is difficult to comprehend, allowing for two wished out fixtures. On the brighter side there were many pleasing features both from individual performances, and later in the fixtures good team spirit that produced some excellent performances in the field.

The five senior experienced players in the Squad - Mark Kroschel
Bobert Greening - Dean Abbey - Ross Wiblin and Chris Hynes all performed

reditably. Kroschel and Hynes, without doubt formed the best spin attack

the section of the competition, and both can consider themselves unlucky

to have been selected in the combined Green Shield Team.

Robert Greening bowled his medium pace with zest. He is a tall boy who uses height to good advantage, his batting requires a lot of work - He must realise that he has the greatest natural requirement for Cricket - his exceptional height - short pitched bowling should never trouble him. He must his reach and his feet, if we can master these two factors he will be a good Cricketer. He lacks nothing in enthusiasm.

Ross Wiblin's wicketkeeping improved every game, particularly after his introduction to 4TH GRADE and his batting showed great fight. He figured two fighting stands with opening bowler - Mike Johnston that almost won one game, and most certainly saved another from defeat.

Dean Abbey batting at No. 3 was our most reliable batsman, his consistency earned him a place in the Combined Green Shield Team that played against the touring West Australian Schoolboys Team. On too many occasions he found himself at the wicket in the first or second over of the Innings with no runs on the board, and it was only later in the competition when Michael Smith and Chris Davies settled together as our opening batsmen that we started to put runs on the board. Michael and Chris have the ideal temperament for opening, and I suggest they both work at their technique, as it is imperative that opening batsmen have strong techniques. Richard Trim fought very hard with the bat, and provided runs at No. 4, he is another boy who should work harder at his technique, but obviously he has the right approach to his batting. Michael Johnston worked very hard with the new ball with little luck, and is a boy with a lot of cricket in him, and one the Club should persevere with.

A few of the younger players in the Squad were a little out of their depth, but they must not be discouraged, for next year most of them will be in the Team, and they should be all the better for their experiences this year.

Finally I would like to thank the boys for giving me their best - they all tried hard, and gave very little away. With more preparation we would have been a stronger side. For the future I would appeal to the Selectors and Club Officials to help prepare future Green Shield Teams with a little more dedication. I believe the Squad should be selected earlier, they should have extra coaching working together as a team, and if possible 2 or 3 hard games against strong teams in their age group, on good turf wickets.

On the subject of wickets, I would like to see all the home games next Season played at Manly Oval, the facilities at the Oval are far superier Crahams, and I feel the boys would benefit from playing all their games the Oval.

CITY AND SUBURBAN REPORT (By NORM BOUVENG)

The City and Suburban team had a bad year with three wins and one draw, although we were unlucky to lose a number of other games in close finishes. However, with a number of new players, this was a year of experimenting, and then consolidation, to blend a mixture of youth and seniority.

The bowling average was once again taken by Harry Frazer who for the second time in the history of the club managed a hat trick taking four wickets for no runs, and having an average of 12.31 for the season. We were let down by brittle batting, despite some good individual scores it was rare that the team bombined to produce large scores.

Player of the year was P. Carapiet, a fine teenage wicket keeper and batsman who I feel is a grade player of the future.

This coming season we have two players rejoining us who will make quite a difference to the team and I feel sure that the coming season will see us much stronger both in batting and bowling.

My thanks to the Manly Warringah District Cricket Club for their assistance and also to all team members.

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The end of season dinner dance was again held at Wakehurst Golf Club and with the added benefits of the Club Championship victory and subsequently 2 dozen bottles of champagne donated by John Hodgson, everybody enjoyed a good night. One hundred and eight people attended including a strong contingent of past players and supporters, and Frank Turner is to be congratulated on a fine piece of organisation.

HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT

This years' result is unfortunately a considerable loss and the comparison with last years' result is:-

gain thank the Manly Daily for their continu	1976/77	1975/76
Loss on "Cricket"	873	586
Amortization of Grahams Net Alterations	531	as lower grade rese <u>stablish</u> our
ablicity officer for such a purpose,	1404	586
Profit on "Non Cricket" activities	927	1173
Overall Loss	477	587 (Profit)

The Income and Expenditure Account shows where increases and decreases have occurred.

One item which has helped our result this year is a very low figure for Cricket gear - bats, pads, gloves etcetra. This year this amounted to \$178 compared with \$775 last year. Such a low cost this year is sure to have its repercussions next year.

The cost of alterations to the Grahams Reserve Practice Net set up was \$1591 and it was considered advisable to absorb this over a three year period.

Subscriptions were paid by 32 senior and 37 junior players compared with 39 and 40 respectively, last year.

The Committee decided that the \$1,000 held as interest bearing deposit at the Club's bank, would be better used to stock up with balls and cricket gear, as it is certain that the cost of these will rise very considerably next season. This transfer is reflected in the Balance Sheet, but the materials, though ordered, have not yet been delivered.

THIS PAGE DONATED BY CLUB MEMBER - LEN SOMAN

GROUNDS

Approaches were made to both Manly and Warringah Councils at the beginning of the season about our centre wickets. At Manly and Grahams the pitches were barren and unpromising, while there was a severe subsidence problem at Weldon Park. By the middle of the season players were commenting on the vast improvement, and we very sincerely thank both the Councils and the groundsmen concerned for their consideration and hard work.

PUBLICITY

We again thank the Manly Daily for their continued support, but while we appreciate the prominence given to first grade, it is evident that there is a weakness in our communication with the Daily in as much as lower grade performances are rarely published. We would do well to re-establish our own publicity officer for such a purpose.

A most significant introduction this year was the Manly Cricketers Chronicle, kindly printed by AMOCO and circulated not only to our own club, but through—out the Manly Warringah Cricket Association. This was brought to fruition by Paul Stephenson, who not only did the art work but also edited it. While it was widely acclaimed, we are sure that Paul could do with far more contributions from present and past players — at the present moment the load rests far too heavily on one man.

OBITUARIES

We regret to record the passing of two of our Vice Presidents during the year, Mr Cec Harris, an old player with the Club, who was a fine wicket keeper in the 1930's and Mr John Packer, father of David. Both were keenly interested spectators at our games and we will miss them in the coming season. We express our sincere sympathy to the bereaved families.

THIS PAGE DONATED BY CLUB MEMBER - BRUCE COOK

FIRST GRADE STATISTICS 7477

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	Batting							Bowling			
	Inn.	N.o.	Runs	H.S.	Avge	Overs	Mdn	Runs	Wkt	Avge	
Athey	9	1	299	79	37.37	13.0	1	60	1	60.00	
Beard	18	4	475	143	33.93	155.0	46	410	34	12.06	
Elliot	11	8	80	44*	26.67					0	
Lee	5	0	111	48	22.20	21.0	3	80	1	80.00	
Kallicharan	6	0	129	47	21.50	1.0	0	9	0		
Harper	16	3	278	91	21.38	4.0	0	17	0	8 -15.	
Stephenson	14	2	231	51	19.25	180.0	30	679	33	20.54	
de Silva	5	1	74	43	18.50						
Pawley Pawley	12	1	203	48	18.45	181.4	29	585	23	25.43	
Turner	8	1	122	68	17.43		U	4 8	9	4 - 44	
Turner	19	2	273	48	16.06	1.0	0	5	0		
Purce11	11	0	164	31	14.91	00 112		20 44			
Packer	11	2	131	55	14.56	111.0	18	506	25	20.24	
Mesite	5	1	48	36	12.00				1.4	77 77	
Spencer	10	2	39	16	4.87	112.0	7	529	14	37.77	
				THE PERSON NAMED IN							

LSO BATTED: G. Hill 2-47; B. Tapp 3-30; J. MacPherson 2-21; G. Flowers 2-16; Howell 1-8; D. Hartman 1-16.

LSO BOWLED: D. Hartman 16.2-4-60-5; I. Howell 1-0-4-0; J. MacPherson 24-4-102-3.

SECOND GRADE STATISTICS

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7					106.0	23	289	17	17.00
11							540	36	15.00
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LSO BATTED: B. Tapp 3-122; R. Rickey 2-116; F. Turner 4-160; J. Seyffer 1-28; Flowers 3-54; G. Simpson 3-13; D. Packer 1-4; T. Spencer 1-0.

LSO BOWLED: D. Packer 42-3-124-12; R. Rickey 30-2-138-6; T. Spencer 41-7-112-4; Simpson 11-0-60-0.

THIRD GRADE STATISTICS

	Batting				Bowling							
	Inn.	N.o.	Runs	H.S.	Avge	Overs	Mdn	Runs	Wkt	Avge		
Mairs	6	2	172	86	43.00	26.0	8	57	6	9.50		
Anderson	10	3	211	61*	30.14					1 79		
Wilks	17	7	285	66*	28.50					-		
Jesser	7	0	196	67	28.00	4.0	2	8	2	4.00		
Flowers	12	1	263	93	21.91	1.0	1	0	0	-		
Rickey	12	2	205	51	20.50	99.0	13	292	24	12.16		
Hayes	8	3	102	43	20.40	11.0	1	70	0	2 50		
Stedman	13	1	232	60	19.33	24.0	3	121	8	15.12		
Simpson	8	1	130	55	18.57	36.0	1	194	5	38.80		
Seyffer	15	1	214	50	15.28					5 77		
MacDonald	12	2	150	37	15.00	149.0	22	506	27	18.74		
Hawes	11	1	144	60*	14.40	5.0	2	9	2	4.50		
Wyatt	8	0	85	34	10.62					4 7		
Byers	4	1	15	8	5.00	112.0	20	404	29	13.93		
Hartman	7	1	15	7	2.50	147.0	24	472	30	15.73		

SO BATTED: R. de Silva 4-147; R. Green 1-13; D.MacPherson 4-5; M. Kroschel 13; B. Tapp 1-0; K. Fitzpatrick 4-58; F. Turner 2-13; K. Christianson 2-7; Dudley 3-54; C. Hynes 1-18.

SO BOWLED: G. Hicks 0-13; D. MacPherson 4-132; R. Green 7-87; W. Peterson 10; K. Christianson 0-9; C. Hynes 1-7; G. Flowers 0-0; M. Kroschel 1-37.

FOURTH GRADE STATISTICS 71* 27.57 10 3 193 Anderson 22.88 206 55 Wyatt 9 0 41* 22.37 274 11 24.91 169 66.0 12 4 Kroschel 17.00 187 50 12 1 Abbey 3 22.33 8 67 120 32 13.33 28.0 9 0 Greening 38 3 12.66 105 26 13.12 8.0 0 8 0 Hutchinson 8 133 10 13.30 2 26* 11.75 49.1 47 6 Hynes 25 12 3 104 31* 11.62 157.1 27 488 19.52 Hicks 25.0 3 97 3 32.33 8 0 85 51 10.62 Hawes 70 23 7.77 9 0 Wiblin 12 85 23 7.72 Fitzpatrick 1 3 3.14 137.1 18 395 32 12.28 22 8 10 MacPherson 7 21 7.14 0 50 Harper Jansson 1 49 21 7.00 8 1 63 17 6.30 8.0 0 41 11 Thrush

LSO BATTED: G. Flowers 2-121; G. Mairs 3-30; C. Dobbie 2-9; J. Hughes 1-3;
Byers 2-9; G. Hayes 1-15; G. Frost 5-41; J. Vallance 1-6; G. Peterson 4-35;
Williams 2-20; G. Dudley 6-137; K. Christianson 3-69; M. Hyslop 2-19;
Smith 1-28; G. Abbey 1-0.

LSO BOWLED: G. Mairs 29-4-76-6; C. Dobbie 54-7-157-11; J. Hughes 15-0-76-1; Hayes 7-1-20-0; S. Byers 40-13-100-7; J. Vallance 11-3-33-1; G. Peterson 4-1-119-2; K. Christianson 34-6-71-5; N. Williams 1-0-8-0; D. Abbey 5-0-24-1.

C2 STATISTICS

			Batti	.ng			Bow	ling			
		Inn.	N.Q.	Runs	H.S.	Avge	Overs	Mdn	Runs	Wkt	Avge
G.	Frost	6	1	223	132*	44.6	2	_	10	0	_
В.	Henry	3	1	65	37	32.5	20	4	62	13	4.77
L.	Hill	5	2	96	38	32.0	34.3	7	94	19	4.94
C.	Harper	9	2	194	76*	28.1					
J.	Tarhala	11	3	205	45	25.6					
S.	Janssen	6	2	78	62*	19.5	4	: /_	12	1	12.0
P.	Robinson	5	3	39	22*	19.5	19.1	3	50	9	5.55
C.	Brooks	9	0	146	53	16.2	38	3	142	16	8.87
R.	Tucker	14	5	137	35	15.2	37	6	129	10	12.90
M.	Johnston	5	1	57	25	14.25	87.2	14	211	40	5.27
S.	Hutchinson	6	1	61	32	12.2	21.2	1	63	8	7.87
J.	Hughes	9	-	99	42	11.0	35.4	5	126	17	6.82
J.	Vallance	2	2	2	2	4 00	46.5	4	123	20	6.15

ALSO BATTED: D. Dowler 1-22; R. Greening 2-149; D. estermann 4-30; M. Hyslop 2-27; B. White 3-11; P. Thrush 2-56; S. Matthews 2-33; G. Dudley 1-12; C. Dobbie 1-6.

ALSO BOWLED: R. Greening 8-41; D. Dowler 0-8; S. Matthews 2-0; C. Dobbie 5-35.

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D.	Abbey	4	1	176	101	58.66	44.0	9	98	9	8.17
	Louden	8.	3	211	65*	42.20	77.0		30	9	0.17
M.	Hyslop	10	2	329	77	41.12	24.0	2	106	7	15.14
S.	Orchard	10	5	170	71*	34.00					_
N.	Johnson	14	2	357	87	29.75	129.0	23	261	47	5.55
C.	Davies	13	2	195	68*	17.73	44.0	4	161	13	12.38
В.	Cole	4	1	47	37	15.67	29.0	2	76	10	7.60
Μ.	Cohen	6	1	68	30	13.60	78.0	18	158	24	6.58
R.	Wiblin	6	0	63	22	10.50					_
D.	Heath	7	2	47	17	9.40	59.0	19	173	25	6.92
В.	White	7	0	52	15	7.43	16.0	4	36	1	36.00
Μ.	Rowson	6	3	20	10	6.67					
G.	McDermott	5	3	12	6	6.00					_

POIDEVIN GRAY STATISTICS

		Batting				Rowting					
		Inn.	N.o.	Runs	H.S.	Avge	Overs	Mdn	Runs	Wkt	Avge
M.	Byers	4	0	199	75	49.75					-
G.	Mairs	4	1	132	59*	44.00	6.0	0	33	0	2 -
W.	Athey	1 -	0	32	32	32.00	20.0	7	61	2	30.50
G.	Simpson	4	1	75	35	25.00	13.0	0	62	4	15.50
G.	Wilks	4	0	99	71	24.75	2.0	0	8	0	E -
S.	Mesite	4	0	95	27	23.75	3.0	0	25	1	25.00
G.	Hill	3	0	70	42	23.33	1.7	- 0	20	1	20.00
N.	Williams	3	0	35	20	11.66	7.0	1	16	1	16.00
M.	Stedman	3	1	22	18*	11.00	10.0	4	28	0	-
D.	Packer	4	1	15	5	5.00	41.0	4	134	11	12.18
S.	Byers	3	2	4	4	4.00	46.0	5	159	7	22.71
M.	Kroschel	3	0	6	6	2.00	23.0	4	74	4	18.50
G.	Peterson	1	0	0	0	0.00	6.0	1	33	1	33.00
G.	Hayes					-	1.0	0	9	0	-

A.W. GREEN SHIELD STATISTICS

Not available

MANLY - WARRINGAH DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH APRIL, 1977

ASSETS	Equipment Caps, etc. at cost Australian Guarantee Corporation Debentures (At cost) Bank of New South Wales	General Account Club Centenary Fund Account 400	Grahams Net Alterations (at cost) 1591 Less Amortized 1976/77 531 1060	Prepayments Sundry Debtors Accumulation Account Balance 1st May, 1976 Excess Expenditure Over Income 1404	
1975-76	912	1475	<u>1000</u> <u>2875</u>	105 269 (288) 586	\$7159
	550 189 70		7007		\$7816
<u>LIABILITIES</u> <u>Creditors</u>	Club Centenary Fund Professional Coaching Fund Sundry	Accumulation Account (Social)	Balance 1st May, 1976 6080 Excess Income Over Expenditure 927	Receipts in advance	Signed R. Kinsey Hon. Treasurer.
1975-76	500 189 295	217	4907 1173 6080	95	\$7159 Si

Manly-Warringah District Cricket Club are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of the Club's affairs as at the 30th April, 1977, and the results of the Club for the year ended that date. I report that in my opinion the above Balance Sheet and Accompanying Income and Expenditure Account of the The accounting and other records examined by me have, in my opinion, been properly kept.

Date 10th June 1977.

Signed I.F. Barnes AASA Hon. Auditor

MANLY - WARRINGAH DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE - YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1977

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INCOME	Subscriptions, Members and Associates Donations Interest Received Contributions - Cricketers Club N S W C A Grant Surplus on Sales of Caps G Lowe Bequest Knockout Competition Miscellaneous Income	01	ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1977	Net Income from various activities	(1975-76 (1968-65 (1947-48 (1998-10 (1897-98 (1998-05 (1913-14
1975-76	1825 165 270 30 500 500 10 200 130	[M]	YEAR	1975-76	1173
6 EXPENDITURE	Materials and Repairs Club Centenary Fund Frinting, Stationery and Advertising 721 Insurance Postage and Telephone Donations and Presentations Miscellaneous Expenses Ground Fees and Rentals 56	Manly Oval Gross Takings Less Wages Less Rentals Excess Expenditure over Income Excess Expenditure over Income Grahams Reserve Net Alterations S3877 MANNIV WADDINGAH DISTRICT		Balance of Income over Expenditure transferred to Social Fund Accumulation	Account 927 927
1975-76	1960 50 542 43 359 16 217 175	91 95 350 3716		1975-76	1173

MANLY-WARRINGAH DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

CLUB RECORDS

COMPETITION MATCHES

First Grade	
Highest Individual Score G. Beard 187 (19) Highest Aggregate J.W. Burke 899 (19) Highest Average J. Burke 80.75 (19) Most Wickets in Season J. Randell 78 (19)	68-69) 47-48)
Second Grade	
Highest Aggregate D. Gee 843 (190 Highest Average H. Williams 70.00 (190 Highest Average H. W	97-98) 04-05) 13-14) 04-05)
Third Grade	
Highest Individual Score	30-31)
Fourth Grade	
Highest Aggregate T. Lee 470 (195	53-54) 56-57) 56-57) 36-37)
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Highest Average I. Howell 198 (196	50-31) 55-66) 55-66) 50-51)
A.W. Green Shield	
Highest Individual ScoreN. Coltman 147 (196Highest AggregateN. Coltman 395 (196Highest AverageR. Bright 141.00(195Most Wickets in SeasonJ. Barnes 41 (195	4-65)