

#### University of NSW Cricket Club Life Member Profiles.

## Harold Bundy



1978

### **Roles and Honours**

Blues Committee	1968-69, 1969-70
Team Captain	B Shires 1963-64, 1964-65, A Shires 1967-68,
Premiership Teams	A Shires 1965-66, 1967-68 (c), B Shires 1963-64

# **Individual Profile**

Harold was awarded Life Membership in 1967/68.

Unfortunately, the project to compile the Life Member Profiles was started in 2021 and we have not been able to contact Harold or any of his family to help expand this Profile. Also, although there are still quite a few who played with, and remember, him not a lot of detail is known about his background. This profile, therefore, has been compiled mainly from information from the Club's Annual Reports, the first of these is for the 1954/55 season, and more general recollections from those who played with Harold.

No combined Club statistics appear in the Annual Reports until 1961/62 and even then, there is a note saying some earlier scorebooks are missing, however it notes that Harold topped the C & S 'A' batting scoring 467 runs at an average of 29. It is not clear if this was in the 1951/52 or 1952/53 season as it is unlikely he scored exactly the same number of runs at the same average in 2 consecutive seasons. It establishes, however, that Harold was playing for the Club in its earliest days when it was still The University of Technology Cricket Club. As the number of teams the Club fielded grew Harold progressed to 'A' Shires as an opener in 1957/58 and topped the aggregate in 1958/9 scoring 390 runs. He was second in the aggregate for the next 3 seasons. In 1962/3 he played 'B' Shires and set a record when he scored 151 not out.

In 1963/64 he captained the 'B' Shires to a premiership victory, the first premiership in any grade for the Club. He contributed to the team's success in no small measure by topping the batting aggregate scoring 592 runs at an average of 42.29, the second highest average.

The next season Harold scored 520 runs at an average of 28.9. In 1966/67 he was back in the 'A' Shires team and in 1967/8 repeated his 'B' Shires success by captaining the 'A' Shires team to a premiership victory.

We are sure Harold would rate captaining these teams to premiership victories to be among his most satisfying achievements and greatest contributions to the Club's development. Harold retired from cricket at the end of the 1968/69 season. He did, however, return to play a season of Grade cricket in the mid 1970's and played in a 5th Grade side that very narrowly lost in the Final.

Harold contributed to the Club in more ways than just scoring a lot of runs. He served on the Club's Committee and in 1961/62 he did what many consider the hardest job in a university club, especially before mobile phones, and was Team Secretary. By 1963/64 he was still involved in the Committee and was a Vice President. In 1968/69 he was a member of the Club's Blues Committee.

Harold had worked hard to achieve his success. He lived in Surry Hills while working in foundries in the Alexandria/Waterloo areas full time while he completed his Metallurgy studies. Perhaps these experiences moulded Harold as he is remembered by all who played with him as an uncompromising, ask-noquarter give-no-quarter, competitor on the field. One teammate commented that he could be "abrasive". Yet he also believed in good sportsmanship as is evident in his Captain's Report where he singles out a teammate for high praise for his good sportsmanship.

We know Harold branched out from his metallurgy career path as he at one time ran a liquor outlet, with fellow Life Member, Clem Barrington and later still owned a milk run, which he credited with his slim figure when he returned for his season in Grade.

# **Playing Record**

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Years Played			Grade Shires			1977-1978 1951-1968					
BATTING	Note - Not a	Note - Not all Shires statistics are available									
Grade	Games	Inn.	NO	Total	Ave.	Highest	Caught	50's	100's		
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#### UNSW Cricket Club 5<sup>th</sup> Grade finalists 1977/78 – V Balmain, Drummoyne Oval



Back: Ralph Merrell, John Bolton, Harold Bundy, Patrick Thompson, Michael Clarke, Tony Epstein Front: Mick Burden, Ian Anderson, Bill Hetherington, John MacFarlane, Keith Madden, Jeff Cutler