

THE NEW SOUTH WALES UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY

# CRICKET CLUB



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"A" SHIRES

M. J. Reidy

"B" SHIRES

R.M. Butler

R. Emerson

W. Dwyer.

knock for 55 not out.

We fielded a combined Newcastle and University of Technology Team against Sydney University Team, which contained McCrystall, Hall Sheffield and Richards, (all First Grade Cricketers) as a trial Inter-Varsity game. This match resulted in a first innings victory for our team by 33 runs.

These matches were enjoyed by all who took part and we look forward to more such encounters next season.

It is hoped to field three teams next season, an "A" and "B" Shires team and a City and Suburban Team. Permission has been received to use both Randwick Oval and the new University Oval at Kensington. The practice wickets, we are assured, will be ready by September 1958, so that with the continued support from the students and staff, we can look forward to more successes next season.

The club was unfortunate to lose the support, during the season, of Bob Butler and John Sugden, both of whom have been very active supporters of the club both as committee members and captains of our various teams. We wish them both success in their new jobs.

During the year the club held a social evening at which W.A. Oldfield told us some of his entertaining experiences while in England with the last touring side. The club extends its thanks to Mr. Oldfield for this evening and also for his very generous donation of a bat for the best batting average of the season.

The club would like to acknowledge its appreciation of the valuable work done by Mrs. Clifton during the year, by the ground curator Mr. J. Atkinson, in preparing the Oval each Saturday as well as afternoon tea, and Mr. I.R. Cracknell for whose help assistance and guidance the club is deeply in debt. We would also like to thank our donors for their generous support.

MUNICIPAL & SHIRES "A" TEAM (1957-1958 SEASON)

Gentlemen,

It seems appropriate to start this resume with a quotation from last season report:- "... it is felt that we have the ability to achieve better results. Next season should prove that this is so."

This comment has been borne out to a certain degree, for, although we again won the wooden spoon, we won three matches - two outright and one on the first innings. (We lost all matches last season) These three wins, occurring as they did right at the end of the season have given a boost to our confidence for the coming season.

Michael Reidy, who assumed the captaincy last season, headed the batting averages and the aggregate. His batting was most consistent throughout, making 629 runs in the season. Mike's cover drive and late cut are a delight to watch. We look forward to the day when the younger members of the club are able to follow his example.

Ted Watton as Vice Captain and a spin bowler was a valuable asset to the team.

However the success story during the last season centres about our two opening bowlers. The transformation of Ron Warriner from just a dangerous to a hostile fast medium opening bowler was quite remarkable and indeed a deserved credit to this keen hard working lad. He won the bowling average by a large margin.

He was always well supported by John Beard, whose value to the club and team, as an administrator as well as a bowler, is often overlooked. U.T.C.C. have in this pair the best opening attack in the competition. Let's hope they are with us again next season.

We were fortunate throughout the season to acquire several new players, namely Stan Johns, Rob Lucas, Adrian Muller and Dick Delbridge, who in the later stages of the season formed the nucleus of the batting line up. Adrian Muller joined the club late in the season and showed us that he is definitely a keeper of class. We look forward to some good fielding next season encouraged by Adrian's tidy work behind the stumps.

The "old faithfuls" must also be mentioned for their keenness and unswerving loyalty. We refer of course to Ralph Emerson, Alex Taylor and Stan Livingstone.

To all these players and to the players who came and went for various reasons, the club extends its sincere thanks.

In analysing our performances last season, two important features are missing from our team. Firstly the

presence of at least one good experienced spin bowler to follow up our effective opening attack and secondly a pair of experienced attacking batsmen who can be relied on to take charge of the bowling of the opposition and thus lay the foundation of a respectable score. Too many innings last season were around the one hundred mark.

It will be noticed that emphasis has been placed on experience, or rather the lack of it. This was painfully noticeable almost right throughout last season: for example, the success of our opening attack, particularly towards the end of the season, was not due to luck or the weakness of the opposition but rather to the experience gained from many hours of toil during the first part of last season and the previous season in which we made our debut in the "A" Shires Competition. Similarly our batting which was pathetically weak against spin bowling during the first half of the season did improve and although they did not approach the success of our opening bowlers our batsmen were playing this type of bowling more confidently as evidenced by their more numerous successes throughout the second half of the season.

Finally, gentlemen, our team extends its sincere thanks to the players and supports of the opposing teams for the hospitality and enjoyment received throughout the season.

"A" SHIRES BATTING AND BOWLING AVERAGES.

The following averages have been drawn up for the 1957-58 season. To be included in the averages a player must have batted in more than five matches or taken more than 10 wickets.

BATTING.

	INNS.	N. OUT	H. SCORE	RUNS	AVERAGE.
Reidy	22	1	85	629	28.6
Warriner	24	1	58	397	16.54
Lucas	11	4	24	98	13.13
Johns	22	-	36	284	12.9
Khoo	11	-	46	130	11.8
Taylor	18	3	27	195	10.83
Emerson	11	1	29	114	10.36
Irwin	14	-	22	110	7.86
Mills	16	3	16	93	7.156
Watton	19	4	26	103	6.86
Beard	19	6	24	80	6.159
Newman	8	-	14	45	5.625
Barr	10	1	19	18	4.44

ALSO BATTED:

Delbridge 4-79, Beaty 2-17, Lawrence 2-24, Best 2-24, Muller 2-0, Hall 1-0, Butler 1-1, Morgan 5-10, Bundy 7-75, Stevenson 5-26, Livingstone 5-41, Baker 6-6, Lamb 2-5.



BOWLING.

PLAYER	OVERS	MAIDENS	RUNS	WICKETS	AV
Warrener	165	11	689	47	14.6
Beard	143	14	598	28	21.36
Reidy	59	2	317	13	24.3
Barr	38	1	258	10	25.8
Watton	57	2	339	10	33.9

ALSO BOWLED

Hawrence 1-57, Butler 2-19, Taylor 6-126, Best 1-53,  
Bundy 1-89.

MUNICIPAL AND SHIRES "B" TEAM.

The "B" Shires team, captained by Ralph Emmerson and Bob Butler in the first part of the season and Bill Dwyer in the latter, again had a disappointing year, winning only one match and finishing last in the competition.

In all, the side seemed to lack team spirit and the will to win. Consistent late attendances and an apparent lack of interest when battling did little to enhance the team's reputation or fighting spirit.

The batting was, in the main, innocuous, reliance being placed too often on one or two batsmen to furnish the bulk of the team's score. True, batsmen had their moments, but indiscretion and "bad" bowling (coupled with the lack of appreciation of the side's position) often accounted for our

men, particularly in the first innings of a match.

The bowling, spearheaded early by Bob Butler and Blair Hunt, improved on last season's efforts. With their going later in the season however, it fell away, but Phil Newman surprised in filling the "speed" breach quite well. Slow bowling was again the worry although Ko-Ko Chatterjee Bill Dwyer and (late in the season) Kevin Barr and John Rossiter had their moments.

The fielding, for the most part, was shocking, but some great catches were held. However, ten times as many "sitters" were spilled, the ground fielding was lackadaisical and returns to the wicket wild. On only one or two occasions was any hope of improvement shown.

Bob Butler was again the team's mainstay, heading both batting and bowling averages. His loss to the side as a result firstly of his heel injury and then his marriage and transfer to Melbourne was sorely felt.

Blair Hunt, his partner in many bursts of speed, was also greatly missed when he returned to his home in Fiji. Blair took most wickets (27), was the only batsman to score 300 runs during the season and was one of the team's best fielders and keenest players. Here's hoping he'll be with us again next summer.

Phil Newman, promoted to the "A's" after some good batting performances (he and Barry Hughes made the team's highest partnership- 87, for the first wicket), returned near the end of the season and finished in fine batting form. Also, he proved his worth as a bowler and can anticipate a good summer in 58/59.

Barry Hughes was another quite reliable batsman although he often succumbed early in an innings to his one weakness. However, he filled the roll of opener really well with a bevy of partners. Short but valuable stays were also recorded by Ralph Emerson, Ray Mills, Mike Stevenson, Fred Khoo, Alex Taylor, Robin Lucas, Hugh Johnston, and Bob McEwan before they were promoted to the senior side or sought greener pastures.

Bill Dwyer took over captaincy of the side after Bob Butler, and his batting, possibly prompted by the added responsibility, gained in solidity. With limited opportunities, he also turned in some good bowling performances, but was one who suffered from poor fielding support.

Ko-Ko Chatterjee performed creditably with his "twenty-five yards" slow mediums and played some good knocks with his bat. His jovial manner and evident enthusiasm were a tonic.

Kevin Barr joined us late in the season and in five innings was only once out in scoring 76 runs. He added "bite" to the tail, and was a real asset with his "slowies" and keenness.

Ron Crowden, who also joined the band of "old marrieds" during the season, did a good job behind the stumps, snaring quite a few victims caught and stumped. It was no mean feat to keep to the variety of bowlers we paraded.

Wal Burke, Scot Chaston, and John Sugden proved to be "aces" as emergency players, each contributing a catch, some runs or a wicket just when required. John Hall had an unlucky run throughout the year, but his twenty odd at Pennant Hills

when we were really in trouble, gives hope for the future.

Of the new brigade, Peter Cantrill shows real promise. He's a punishing batsman who turned in a match saving 44 runs in our last game. . . John Rossiter, too, looks to have the makings of a leg-break bowler, and could fill a wide open vacancy. John Land, with coaching and match practice could become a useful fast bowler.

There were few highlights in a disappointing season, they being our first innings win over Roseville, a swahsbuckling 68 (highest individual score) by Blair Hunt against Lindfield, and Bob Butler's 4 wickets for 8 runs in four overs against Roseville.

Our congratulations are extended to Epping Club who were the 57/58 Premiers.

Potential was obvious (but not OFTEN REALISED), in the 1957/58 side and, with the infusion of new talent and an increase in keenness and team pride, we can look forward to a better showing in 1958/59.

"B" SHIRES BATTING AVERAGES.

<u>PLAYER</u>	<u>INNS</u>	<u>N. OUT</u>	<u>H. SCORE</u>	<u>RUNS</u>	<u>AVERAGE.</u>
R. Butler	15	-	40	214	14.27
B. Hunt	24	-	68	313	13.04
P. Newman	20	1	44	219	11.53
W. Burke	10	1	21	96	10.67
W. Dwyer	26	5	43	209	9.96
M. Stevenson	12	-	44	114	9.50
J. Sugden	12	3	16	77	8.56
B. Hughes	26	-	31	231	8.5

ALSO BATTED:

H. Johnston 8-117, R. Emerson 8-15.75, Taylor 2-6, A. Alleyn 4-2, S. Behne 4-34, W. Burke 10-96, J. Land 3-1, J. Baker 4-47, J. Toomey 4-14, R. Lucas 2-70, B. Morgan 3-41, S. Chaston 8-50, Ravi 1-0, McEwan 4-45, F. Khoo 2-83, W Dwyer 2-1, G. Smith 2-0, K. Rogers 2-7, W. Howell 4-18, R. Mills 2-30, J. Rossiter 5-9, P. Cantrill 6-114, K. Barr 5-76.

BOWLING:

	<u>O</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>AV</u>
Butler	56	6	249	21	11.86
Chattergee	56	5	385	20	19.25
Hunt	132	12	590	27	21.85
Dwyer	40	-	344	11	31.27

ALSO BOWLED:

Alleyn 1-39, Taylor 6-60, Newman 9-200, Crowden 0-10, Hall 2-82, Sugden 6-145, Behne 1-49, Emerson 0-35, Burke 2-58, McEwan 1-21, Dwyer 1-18, Barr 6-154, Land 2-28, Rossiter 5-103, Khoo 1-24, P. Cantrell 0-0.

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

SEASON 1957-58

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS.			
	£	S	D		£	S	D.
Balance as at 1/7/57/	22	7	3	Social activity Newcastle & Syd. Uni. matches	32	12	0
Subs. - "A" Shires	53	15	4	End of season social	12	5	8
"B" "	48	17	11	Film evening	7	0	0
Newcastle & Syd. Uni. Matches	15	11	0	Petty Cash Exp. - Equip. Postage Stationery etc	15	0	2
Donations	10	9		Insurance Policies	9	0	0
Collections - End of season social	5	15	0	Presentation - Bob Butler's Wedding	3	15	0
Presentation - Bob Butler	2	10	6	Hire of Umpires - Newcastle match	3	0	0
Sports Assoc - Part recoup of Petty Cash Exp.	3	2	0	Donation Wreath - Mrs Frawley	2	2	0
Sale of Cap	1	10	0	Bank Charge		10	0
Part recoup of Bank Charges		9	0				
				Balance as at			
				30.6.58	79	2	2
TOTAL	<u>164</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>	TOTAL	<u>164</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>